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the Apostles, translated in
to Englyshe Metre, and de-
dicated to the kynges moste excel-
lent Maiestye, by Christofer Tye,
Doctor in Musyke, and one of the
Gentylmen of hys graces moste ho-
nourable Chappell, wyth notes to
eche Chapter, to synge and also to
play vpon the Lute, very necessarie
for studentes after theyr studie,
to fyle theyr wyttes, and also
for all Christians that
cannot synge, to

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the good and Godly sto-
ries of the lyues of
Christ hys Ap-
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Syrack. XXXII.

If God to rule, do thee elect
Pryde not thy selfe therin
As one of thyne, be in effect
Thy people so to wyne.

Let care for them, be thy repast
That wysedome be their choyse
And when thy dutye, done thou hast
Syt downe wyth them reioyce.

Of honour then, receyue the crowne
In wysedome to excell
For wisdom, wynneth great renowne
Whych doth become thee well.

Hynder not Musyke.

To the Verruous and
 Godlye learned Prynce, Edwards
 the vi. by the grace of God, King of Eng-
 lande, Fraunce, and Irelande, Defendour
 of the Fayth, and on earth next and imme-
 diatly vnder Christe, of the Churches of
 England and Irelande the Supreme head,
 your graces humble, louynge, and obedi-
 ent seruaunte Christofer Tye, wytheth the
 continuauice of God hys seare to dwell
 in your graces heart, longe to raygne
 in muche honoure, health,
 wealthe and vic-
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Onlydrynge well,
 most godly Kyng
 The zeale and per-
 fecte loue:
 Your grace doth beare,
 to eche good thyng
 That geuen is from
 aboue.

And that your grace, oft tymes doth looke
 To learne of the last daye:
 The whiche ye fynde, with in gods booke
 That wyll not passe awaye.

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The Preface.

Whose booke is geuen, in these your dayes
Wherin ye do reioyce:
And eke prayse hym, in al his wayes
And that with thankeful voyce.

Which doth make glad, your subiectes all
And moueth them to learne:
Gods lyuely worde, and how they shal
The truthe therby discearne.

Beholde O Kynge, of God electe
And ye shall right well se:
That as your highnes, is affect
So wyll your Subiectes be.

Your grace may note, fro tyme to tyme
That some doth vnder take:
Vpon the Psalmes, to wyte in ryme
The verse pleasaunt to make.

And some doth take, in hande to wyte
Out of the booke of Kynge:
Because they se, your grace delyte
In suche like Godlye thynges.

And last of all, I youre pooze man
Whose doinges are full base:
Yet glad to do, the best I can
To geue vnto your grace

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The Preface.

Haue thought it good, nowe to recyte
The storpes of the Actes:
Euen of the twelue, as Luke doth wyte
Of all their worthy factes.

Unto the text, I do not ad
Nor nothyng take awaye
And though my style, be grosse and bad
The truth perceyue you maye.

Your Maiesste, is not to teache
Thapostles wordes are playne:
With ynkehorne termes, they byd not prea
But sought an easye bayne. (the

Playnely to speake, their maisters wyl
The people to instruct:
That they their callynge, myght fulfyll
In truth them to conduct.

Prayinge your grace, not to thynke now
That I do condescende:
The pleasaunt style, to disalow
But do it much commende.

But he that shal, of scripture treat
If he wyl please God well:
Of force he must, such termes forgeat
The truth playnely to tell.

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My Ignorance, thus to excuse
I haue my mynde exprest:
I trust your grace, wyl not refuse
To make of it the best.

And yf your grace, shall in good part
My symple worke so take:
My wyttes to this, I will conuert
All vayne thinges to forsake.

My callinge is, another waye
Your grace shall here in fynde:
By notes set forth, to synge or playe
To recreate the mynde.

And though they be, not curious
But for the letter mete:
Ye shall them fynde, harmonious
And eke pleasaunt and swete.

That such good thiges, your grace might
Your lute when ye assaye: (moue
In tyme of songes, of wanton loue
These stories then to playe.

So shall your grace, please God y^e Lozde
In walkynge in hys waye:
His lawes and statutes, to recorde
In your heart nyght and daye.

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And eke your realme, shall dozythe thyll
No good thyng shall decaye:
Pour subiectes shal, with right good wyll
These wordes recozde and saye.

Thy lyfe O Kyng, to vs doth thyne
As Gods boke doth thee teache:
Thou dost vs fede, with suche doctrine
As Chyffes elect dyd preache.

The lpyng God, graunt thee to raygne
In great honour and wralth:
Thy vertuous life, good Lord mayntayne
And sende thee prosperous health.

Thy dere Syffers, the spyste them leade
To loue the worde of God:
Whiche shall them stande, in better steade
Then doth their whole liuelod.

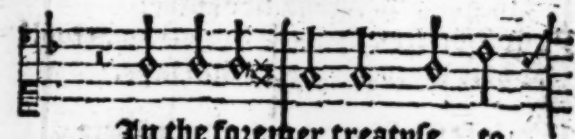
Thy whole counsaile, the Lorde preserve
And graunt to man and wyfe:
To crane of hym, not ones to swarue
From hys swete worde of lyfe. Amen.

CHRIST dyd ascende, vp in to heauen
As ye shall after reade:
Mathias vvas, of the eleuen
Electe in Iudas steade.

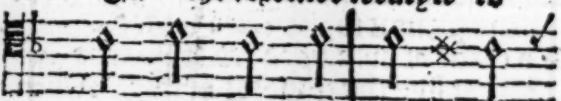
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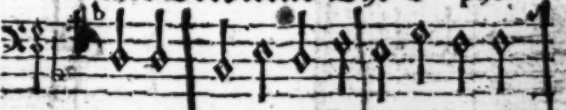
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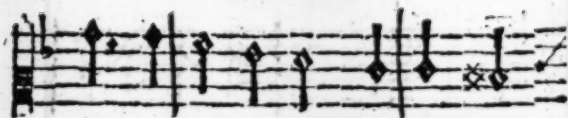


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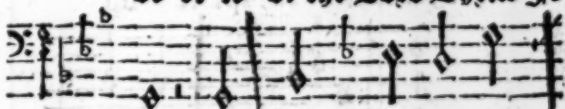
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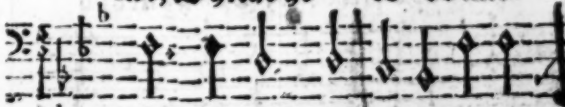
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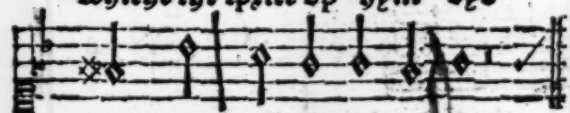
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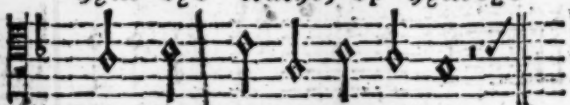
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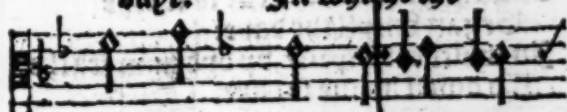
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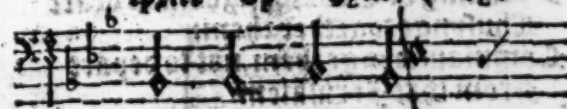


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In the former treatyse to thee
Deare frende Theophilus:
I haue wrytten, the verite
Of the Lorde Christ Iesus.

Whiche he to do, and eke to teache
Began vntyll the daye:
In whiche the sprite, by dyd hym teache
To dwell aboue for aye.

After that he, had power to do
Euen by the holy ghost:
Commaundementes, then he gaue vnto
His chosen least and moost.

To whome also, him selfe dyd shew
From death thus to reuue:
By tokens playne, vnto his few
Euen fortye dayes aloue.

Speaking of Gods, kyngdom w heart
Chusinge together them:
Commaundyng them, not to depart
From that Ierusalem.

But still to waite, on the promys
Of thys father the Lorde:
Of whiche ye haue, hearde me oz thys
Vnto you make recozde.

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For John with water, dyd baptise
But ye shall baptise be:
Euen with the sprite, that is ryghtwyse
Within fewe dayes trust me.

When they were then, all hym before
They moued hym to tell:
If at that tyme, he woulde restore
The kyngdome to Israell.

He sayde to them, I do recorde
The knowledge is not yower:
To know the tymes, that God the Lorde
Hath kept in hys owne power.

The holpe ghost, receyue shall ye
Whiche shall teache you to do:
And ye shall all, my wytnes be
Jerusalem vnto.

In all Iury, and Samarye
To wytnes I you sende:
And preache my worde, that shall tarpe
Euen vnto the worldes ende.

When he had sayde, these wordes aloude
Whyle they behelde the lyght:
He was vp take, into a cloude
Strayght way out of their syght.

And

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And while they loke, by stedfastly
To heauen as he vp went:
Beholde two men, stode there them by
And whyte was their garment.

Whiche sayd ye men, of Galile
As ye gale ye vp in bayne:
Thys Iesus thus, ye take from ye
Shal thus come downe agayne.

Then dyd retorne, eche one of them
From Oliuet the mounte:
A iorney from, Ierusalem
One Sabbath daye I counte.

When they came to, Ierusalem
A parlare there was dyght
Where dyd abyde, eche one of them
That I wyll nowe recyght.

Peter and James, John and Andrez
Philip and the Thomas:
Bartylmeue James, Symon Mathew
Judas that James sonne:

These all abode, with one accord
In supplicacion styll:
And dyd besyge, of God the Lorde
Thys promyse to fulfill.

And

The .j. Cha ter.

And twemen that, were setten
With them to heauen, by all:
Besydes the mother, of Iesus
And eke hys brethren all.
In those dayes Peter, Coud by stouthe
Empyd them all trulye:
To beue the names, which was aboute
An hundreth and twentye.
And sayde ye brethren, the scripture
Muste nedes fulfilled be
Whiche Dauid by, the spirit to putte
Of Judas dyd foresee.
No hir he dyd gide them, that toke Iesus
To hys confusio sure:
Who numbred was, for one of vs
In ministratio pure.
And now he hath, possesse the grounde
Of great iniquitie:
Dispayre hath bzuen, hym to confounde
Hys lyfe vpon a tre.
He brast in two, the mydd aboute
Hys bodye was so swolne:
Hys bowels all, they gushed oute
As it is ryght wel knowen.
The dwellers at, Ierusalem
Doth cal the felde thus day:
Acheldama, the which with them
The bloode felde is to say.
The boke of psalmes, doth thus declare
Besyde hys dwelling place:

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And to women that, were Ierrens
With them to heauen: I shall:
Besydes the mother, of Iesus
And eke hys brethren all.
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Emyds them all trulye:
To beue the names, which was aboute
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Another shall, even for his share

His byshoppe the embrace:

Two herfore of these, the which with vs

Had bene in companye:

At all suche tymes, as Christ Iesus

Went in and out vs by.

Even from the first, baptisme of John

Wyll Christ went by certayne:

To witnes we, must ordeyne one

Of Christes rylunge agayne.

And the right soone, appoynted two

Joseph hight Barsabas:

Whose surname was, Justus also

The other Mathias.

They prayd & sayd, thou Lord canst tast

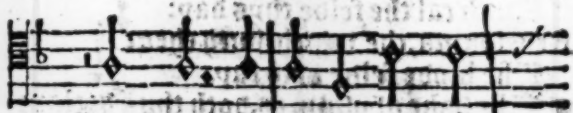
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Whiche of these two, shewe that thou hast
Seuen felowshyp with vs.

That one may exercise, the place
Of ministracion well:

Thapostle thyp, from whiche Judas
By his transgression fell.

And they gaue forth, their lots to spede:
Which wrought by power from heauen:
Mathias was, elect in dede
And went with the eleuen.

THE commynge of, the holy ghost
Peter dyd preache in dede:
Euen at Ierusalem, vwhere most
The faythfull dyd encrease,

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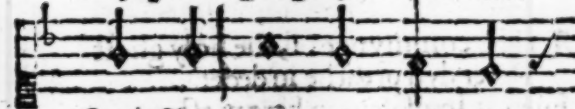
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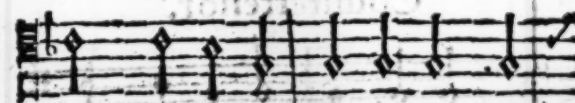


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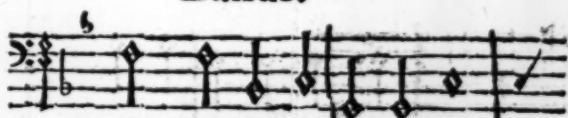


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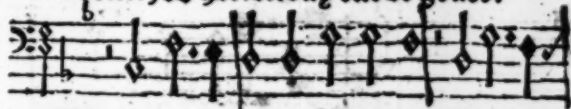


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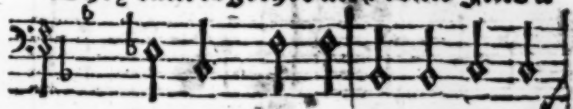
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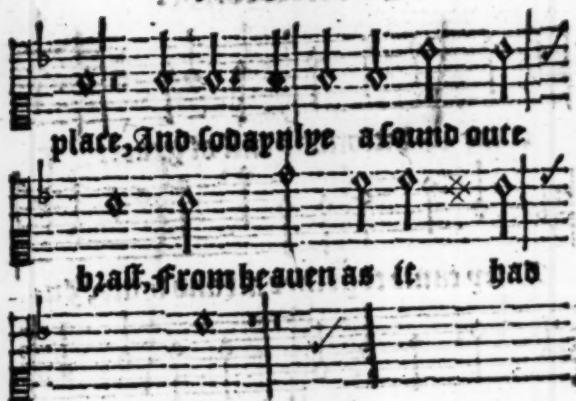


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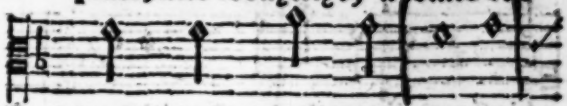


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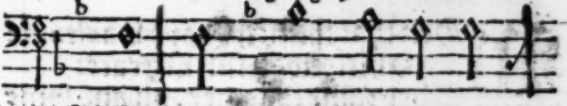


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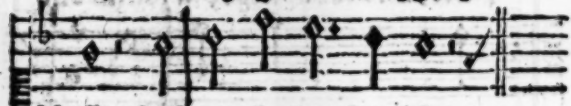
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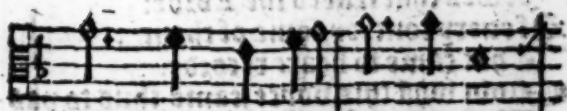
When that the fifty, daye was come
Whitsonday full of grace:
They came together, all and some
In to a certayne place.

And sodaynlye, a sounde out bzasse
From heauen as it had bene:
The commynge of, a myghty blast
Fyllinge the house with dene.

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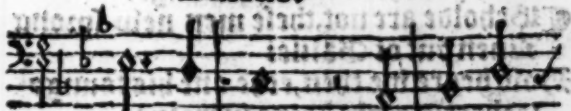


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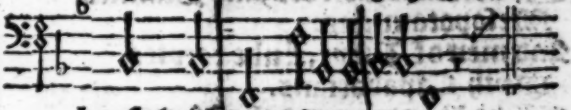


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Clouen tounge's dyd, to them appeare

Lyke as they had bene fyre:

And sat vpon them, every where

To fulfyll their desyre.

The holye ghost, dyd them aduance

To tounge's ryght wyle and sage:

Euē as the spyt, gaue bitteraunce

So chaunged their language.

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And there dwelt at Ierusalem
Iewes that feared the Lorde:
Of euery contrey, some of them
That came to beare recozde.

Now whā this voyce, came thus to pas
The multitude dyd moze:

They came together, where it was
And were amased soze.

For euery one, heard his owne tounge
That he had bled longe:

They wondzed all, bothe olde and younge
And sayde them selues amonge:

Beholdē are not, these men new sprong
Euen out of Galile:

How heare we then, eche one his tounge
Wherē in right bozne were we.

Parthians, Medes, and Elamites
Mesopotamians:

And men of Turpe, Luke recytes
With Capadocians.

The Pontans, and the Asyans
Phrygi, and Pamphylie

Of Egypt, and the Lybyans
Dwellinge Sirene nere bye.

Straungers of Rome, Iues Proselyts
Arabians sayde thus:

They spake our tounge, which truly byts
Of God the workes wondrous.

They were amased, & soze afrayde
Wondzing at this straunge syne:

And

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And other mocked, them and sayde
They are full of newe wyne.

Peter stode vp, the trueth to tell
Straynyng his voyce to them:

Of Iury and, to those that dwell
Euen at Ierusalem.

We thys wel knowne, vnto you all
And with your eares heare saye:

These are not droncke, as ye them call
Thys thynde houre of the daye.

But this is it, that spoken was
Of the prophet Ioell:

In the last dayes, shall come to pas
Sayth God as I shall tell.

I wyll powre out, sayth God the 'Lorde'
My spyryte vpon all fleshe:

Your sonnes and, daughters shall recorde
Poung men shall see thynges frethe.

Your olde men shall, dreme drems al-
On my seruauntes wyll I: (wayes

Shewe out my spyte, euen in those dayes
And they shall prophecy.

Wonders in heauen, I wyll prouoke
And on the earth great chaunge:

Blode, fire and the, vapoure of smoke
Whiche shal appeare right straunge.

The Sunne shal turne, into darknes
The Moone eke into blood:

Before the daye, of great Iustes
The 'Lorde' shall thynke it good.

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And it shalbe, euen in those dayes
Who so wyllyng mercy craue:

And call vpon, the Lorde alwayes
Doubtes he wyllyng hym saue.

O ye Israelites, be ye not despayre
But heare thys yf ye can:

The Lorde Iesus, of Nazareth
Of God approued man.

Amonge you was, miraculus
Great wonders he dyd shewe:

God wrought by hym, thynges wonderous
Emidst of you ye knowe.

Hym haue ye taken, by the handes
To scourge him with a rod:

After he was, geuen you in bandes
By the foresyght of God.

O ye haue hym crucified, and sayne
But God agayne him raysed:

And losed hym, from deathe and payne
In hym styll to be praysed.

Because it was, impossible

To withstande his great myght:

For Dauid which was, credible

Dyd propheticke sayng.

I sawe God alwayes, besyde me

He is on my ryght hande:

That I shoulde neuer, moued be

My heart dyd vnderstande.

Great ioyes my heart, dyd fele in dede

My tounge was glad also:

My

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My fleash dyd lyue, without all drede
In hope boyde of all wo.
¶ Because my soule, to make his mone
In hell shall not left be:
¶ He yet suffer, the holpe one
Corruption for to see.
¶ Thou hast of lyfe, shewed me the lyght
With ioye my heart posselt:
¶ Euen with, thy countenaunce so bryght
My soule is brought to rest.
¶ O men & brethren, my wordes marke
Let me speche frely haue:
¶ Euen of David, the Patriarke
For he lyeth dead in graue.
¶ And his sepulchre, doth remayne
With vs vnto thys dape:
¶ No dout he was, a prophet playne
And knewe what God dyd saye.
¶ Not onely saye, but also swere
And in hys othe repeate:
¶ The frutes of hys, loynes shall prospere
And syt vpon his seate.
¶ In that Christ in, the fleash shoulde ryle
He ryght well sawe before:
¶ And sayde he shoulde, ryle vp ryght wise
And lyue for evermore.
¶ Hys soule shoulde not, be left in hell
Hys fleash corrupt nought shall:
¶ God hath hym raysed, vp right well
Wherof we wytnes all.

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The .iiij. Chapter.

Chris now that he, by the right hande
Of God exalted is:

And by the Lorde, doth vnderstande
The holy ghostes promis.

Now of hys wordes, ye knowe the ende
As ye may heare and see:

Dauid to heauen dyd not ascende:
But truly thus sayde he.

The Lorde vnto, my Lorde dyd saye
Syt thou on my ryght hande:

Unyll I make, thy foes to staye
Thy fote on them to stande,

All I srael, knowe thys certayne
And therein to persist:

The same Iesus, whome ye haue slayne
God hath made Lorde and Christ,

When they hearde this, their hearts did
And sayde Peter vnto: (fall

And eke to the, Apostles all
Brethren what shall we do.

And Peter sayde, to them repent:
And then Baptisme begynne:

In Christ his name, by whom God sent
Remission of synne.

Ye shall receyue, the holy goost
The promyse so dyd fall:

To you and yours, in euery roost
Such as the Lorde shall call.

The bare witnes, of great comforte
Exhortynge them eche one:

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To saue them from, thoutwarde saue
And generacion.

They that his preachinge, dyd embrace
Were baptist euen through out:
There came to them, that day by grace
Thre thousande soules about.

They dyd folowe, thapostles loze
Doctrine and companie:
Breakyng their breade, and euer moze
In prayer certaynelpe.

And eke of euery soule the fere
Of God on them dyd fall:
Wonders and sygnes, were shewed eche
By the apostles all. (where

And such as dyd, beleue Gods wyll
Together kept in bandes:
To haue all thynges, in comen styll
They solde their goodes and landes.

Departynge them, euen in the Lorde
As euery man had nede:
Beinge daylye, with one accorde
In the temple in dede.

In euerye house, the breade to parte
Their meate to eate aryght:

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The. ij. Chapter.

With ioye, and singlenes of hearte
Prayinge the God of myghte.

They had fauour, with euery one
The Lorde added right fre:
Vnto the congregacion
Suche as shoulde saued be.

Meane.

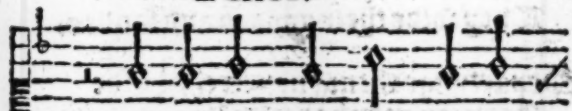


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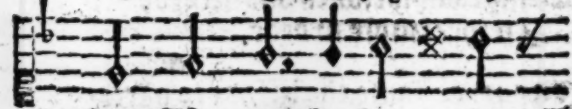


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Euen to hys perfecte strength:
And Peter preched, Christ right playne
As ye shall reade at lengthe.

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Peter & John, they toke their way
The temple vp into: Aboute
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were wont to do. A certayne man
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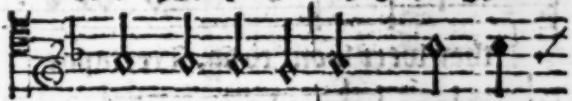
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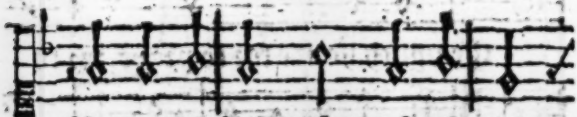
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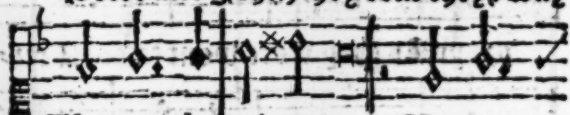
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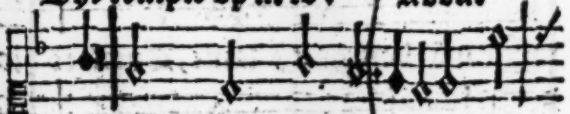
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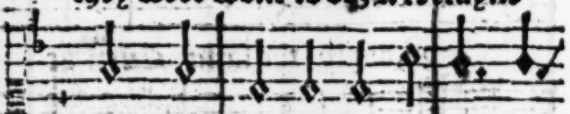
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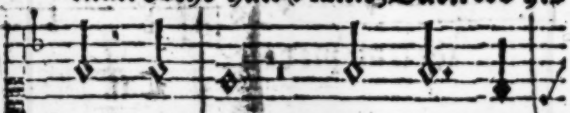
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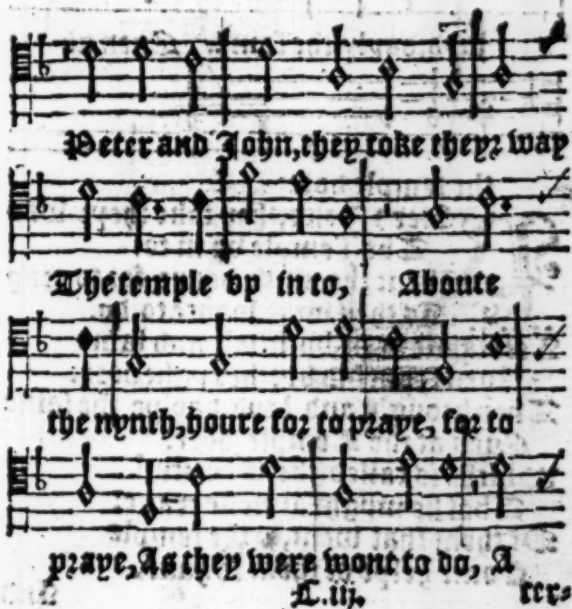


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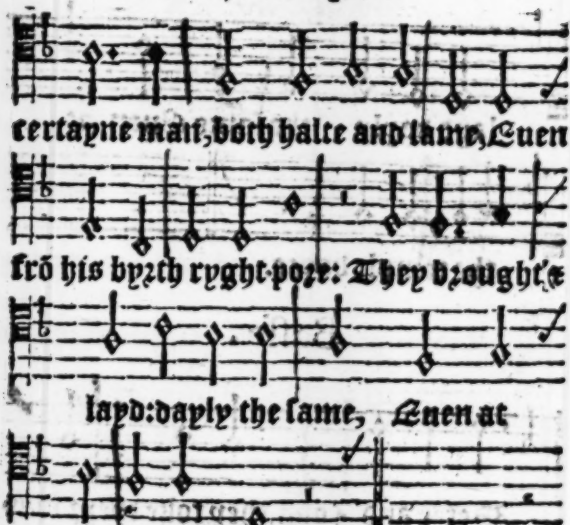
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 The Temple vp in to:
 About the ninth, houre for to pray
 As they were wonte to do.
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 Euen from his byrthe ryght pore:
 They brought and layd, daylye the same
 Euen at the Temple doze.
 Whiche is called, the Beutifull
 That he myght almeste craue:
 Of them that went, to the temple
 Some helpe of them to haue.

And

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And when he saue, Peter and Iohn
Ryght nere the temple doores
They almoste he, dyd acquaintance
And they both dyd him thus saluete

And sayde to hym, loke thou on vs
And he was well a paydemynde
Doyng of them, to haue almoste
But Peter to hym sayde thus

Siluer and golde, nowe haue I none
But suche as God gaue me
By vertue of, the holpe on a
The same geue I to thee

Nowe in the name, of Christ Iesus
Of Nazareth saye
In company, to walke with vs
And praye the Lord most wyse

He toke hym then, by the ryght hande
And lyfte hym vp at length
Vpon hys feete, he straght dyd stande
Hys bones receyued strenght

And he dyd spyng, stande, walke & stur
In at the temple doores
Lepynge, prayng, euen with his heart
The luyng Lord therefore

The.iiij. Chapter.

The people all, dyd hym well see
By ayle: God for hys good state:
And they knewe well, that it was he
Whiche begged at the gate.

They were fylled, with great wondryng
And were amased sore:
Euen at thys mans, sodayne healyng
That was so lame befoze.

Thys healed halt, helde fast also
Euen of Peter and John:
The people ranne, to them in to
The Porche of Salomon.

When Peter saw, them wonder so
These wordes to them he spake:
Ye Israelites, I saye of whom
Thys wondryng do ye make.

O: why loke ye, with stedfastnes
On vs as we coude do:
By our owne power, or holynes
Thys cure thys man vnto.

The God of Abraham and Isaac
And Iacob thys hath done:
God of our fathers, without laske
Hath glorified hys sonne.

Jesus

The.iiij. Chapter.

Jesus whom once, refused ye
In Pilates presents playne:
When he had iudged, hym to be
Loosed from deathe and payne.

But ye denyed, the holy one
A murtherer to saue:
And eke kylled, the Lorde alone
Hys lyfe ye woulde not haue.

Whiche God hath rayled, from the deed
Wherof we wytnes can:
Through sayth in hys, name confirmed
Hys name vpon thys man.

Whome ye dyd see, and knowe also
When sayth in hym dyd ryle:
Whiche sayth hath geuen, this man vnto
Hys health befoze your eyes.

Nowe dere brethzen, I knowe that ye
Haue done thys wycked dede:
Through ignoraunce, as semeth me
Whiche dyd your rulers leade.

But God befoze hande, he dyd better
And eke his prophetes wylled;
To teache that Christ, the death shoul suffe
Whiche he hath now fulfyllled.

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The. iij. Chapter.

Repent ye now, I say repent
And turne to vs this daye:
That all your synnes, nowe euident
May cleane be done awaye.

Foz when the tyme, of refreshynge
Shal come to vs with spede:
In presentes of, the Lorde and Kynge
— Aboue all Kynge in dede,

And when God shall, hym sende the day
Befoze preached to vs:
Vnto you all, which is to saye
The Lorde and Christ Iesus,

Whiche must haue heauen, whyl al thyng
Whiche he hath spoken playne:
By Prophetes syns, the first begynnyng
Restored be agayne.

Foz Moyses to, the fathers sayde
The Lorde sayle vp wyl he:
A Prophet, vnto you for ayde
Muche lyke euen vnto me.

Hym shal ye heare, and not controule
But in hys wordes reioyce:
The tyme wyl come, that euery soule
Whiche wyl not heare hys voyce.
Shal

The. iij. Chapter.

Shalbe destroyed, without all doubt
whiche tyme wyl not be longe:
That all such shall, be cleane throune out
The people from amonge.

The Prophetes all, syngs Daniell
And therfore for, he hath alwayes:
Tolde of the truth, ryght passynge well
And eke spake of these dayes.

The Prophets children, all are you
That by the couenaunt came:
To our fathers, whiche God dyd you
And sayde to Abraham.

In thy seide shall, the kynredes all
On earth be blest in vs:
Fyfte vnto you, God dyd by call
Hys onely sonne Iesus.

And hym he hath, sent vnto you
Eche one of you to blesse:
That euery one, of you shoulde now
Tourne from hys wickednesse.

THE Apostles, vvere in pryson cast
They vvere to preache forbod:
But they toke them, to prayer fast
Renouncyng men for God.

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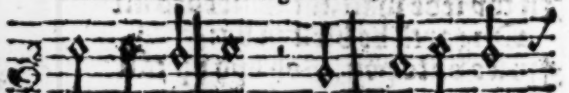
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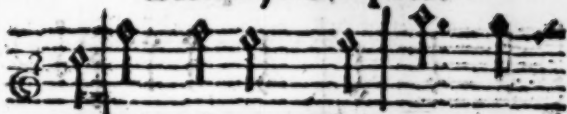


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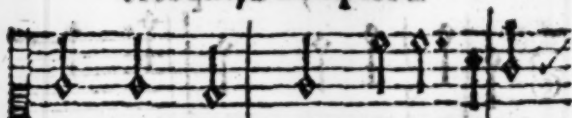
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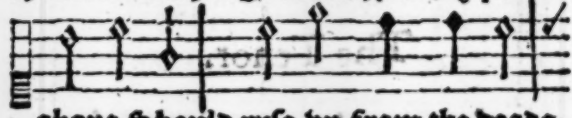
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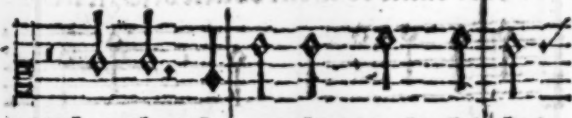


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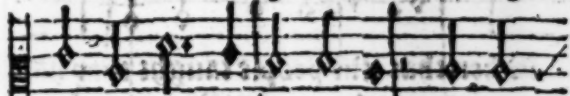


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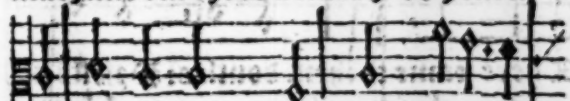
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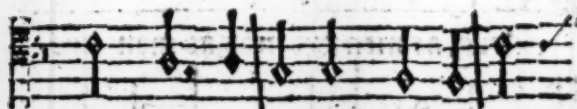
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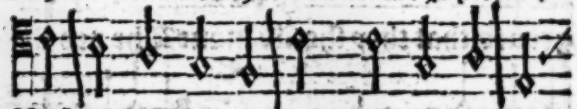
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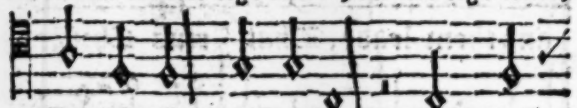
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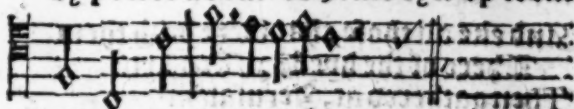


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Where came to them doubtles
Priestes & rulers, as men his maie
And eke the Sadures.

Whome it dyd grene, þ they should moue
The people and them leade:
That Iesus Christ, by powre aboue
Shoulde ryle vp from the deade.

And they layd hādes, on the straght way
And put them all asyde:
In prizon fast, tyll the next daye
For it was then euentyde.

But those that heard, the worde euen then
Welened out of hande:
The numbꝛe then, of those wonne men
Was well nye fyue thousande.

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And it chaunced, the next daye was
The ruler and Elder:
The Scribes Annas, and eke Cayphas
John and Alexander.

And eke all those, that were with them
There of the hye Priestes kyn:
Then gathered at, Jerusalem
Where they were then brought in.

And wher they stode, befoze the same
They axed them sayinge:
Shew by whose powze, or in whose name
That you haue done thys thyng.

Peter ful of, the holy goost
Sayde vnto them ryght well:
Ye rulers all, both lest and moost
And chiefe of Israell.

If we thys daye, muste testify
Of the good dede and dole:
Delt to the sicke, man and eke by
What meanes he is made whole.

Be it well knowen, to them that lyst
And ye that rulers be:
That in the name, of Iesus Christ
Of Nazareth wo? he wen
To home

The. liij. Chapter.

Whome ye haue crucified and slayne
God hath from death now rayled:
By whome this man, is whole certayn
The Lord therfore be prayled.

This is the chiefe stone cast a syde
Of you that buylders be:
Whiche in the chiefe place shall abyde
Of the corners laye we.

For neyther is there, saluacion
In anye sauinge he:
Nor other name, there is not one
Wherin made safe we be.

When they behelde, the boldnes then
Of Peter and of John:
And knewe them both, vnlearned men
And laye people eche one.

They dyd myche muse, and knewe fully
That they were with Iesu:
And dyd beholde, the man stand by
The whiche was healed new.

Commaundyng them, to stande asyde
And from their counsell goo:
Consultinge there, and sayde proude
With these men what to do.

The.iiij. Chapter.

A wondrous signe, is done by them
And eke is iustly knowne:
To all them in, Ierusalem
The thyng abrode is blowen.

But that they shal, hence forth therfore
No further noyse the same:
Let vs charge them, to speake no moze
To no man in hys name.

They gaue to them, commaundment new
That they should no man ayde:
To preache or teache, of their Jesu
But Peter and John sayde.

If it be ryght, as ye thynke it
In syght of God the Lorde:
Pour words to kepe, Gods to omit
Iuge ye and so recozde.

For we wyl speake, the truth euen so
As herof we knowe the grounde:
They thretened them, and let them go
No fault in them was founde.

The people also, praysed God
The lame awaye went rounde:
Who was of age, ful fourty and od
Whiche was made whole and sounde

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The. iiii. Chapter.

As soone as they were then let go
They to their felowes went:
Expressyng their, greac payne and wo
And eke imprisonment.

By the hye Priestes, and Elders all
And what to them they sayde:
When they heard that, they loude dyd call
And gaue God thankses for ayde.

And sayde thou Lorde: thou God of blys
Madst heauen and earth for vs:
The sea and all, that ther in is
By whome Dauid sayd thus.

Wherfore dyd the heathen, fume and fret
What rage in them now sprynges
Wherfore dyd the Iwise, people set
Their myndes vpon vayne thynges.

The Kynge and Rulers, dyd persist
In wycked counsell longe:
Agaynst the Lorde, and hys sonne Christ
Whiche he sent vs amonge.

For of a trueth, agaynst the Lorde
Whome thou annoynted hast:
Herod, Pilate, with one accorde
Helde with the Gentyls fast.

The.iiij. Chapter

The people eke, of Israell
Increased more and more;
To do what thy handes and counsell
Determined before.

Nowe Lorde beholde, their theatnyngs
And graunt to thy elect: (sworde
With confidence, to speake thy worde
Good Lorde do vs protect.

So that thynne hand, stretche forth & same
Healyng and signes to vs:
That we do wonders in the name
Of thy dere sonne Iesus.

As soone as they, had prayed anone
The place began to shake:
They were full of, the holpe one
The worde boldly they spake,

The myltitude, that dyd beleue
Were of one sprit and harte:
Eche one to other spyll dyd geue
In comen they dyd parte.

And with great power, they dyd witness
The resurrection all:
Of Iesu Christ, yea and doubtles
Great grace on them dyd fall.

Not

The. iij. Chapter.

Not one amonge, them all dyd lacke
For who had house and lande:
Solde all and dyd, kepe nothyng backe
To haue in hys owne hande.

They layde all downe, at the fete than
Of thapostles in dede:
Distributyng to every man
Accordyng to hys nede.

Joses who was, of an olde wonne
Of thapostles eche one:
Called Barnabas, whiche is the sonne
Of Consolacion.

A Leuite bozne, woulde not doe yll
Had lande and eke solde it:
And layd the pryce, downe with good wyll
At the Apostles fete.

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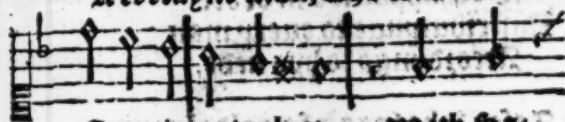
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And hys vvyues to their shame:
Thapostles vvere, in pryson throvne
Reioysyng in the same.

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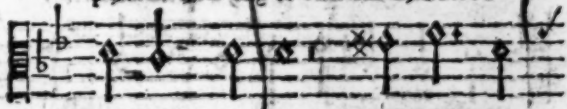
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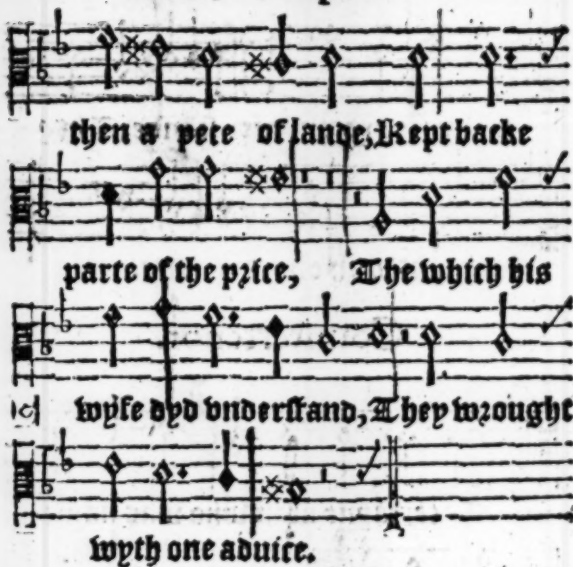


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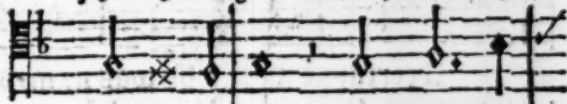


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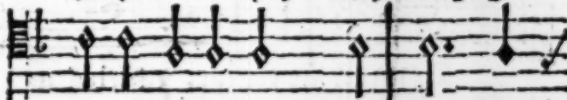
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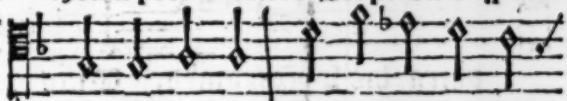
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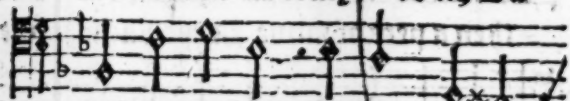
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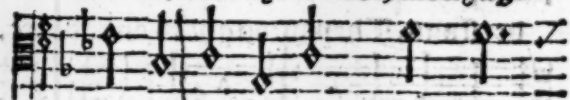
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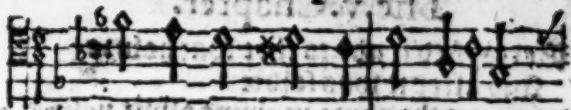


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A Certayne man, who was named
Ananias trulpe:
With Saphira hys wyfe framed
Unto the Lorde a lye.

Who sellynge then, a pece of lande
Kept backe part of the pryce:
The whiche hys wyfe, dyd vnderstande
They wrought with one aduise.

The other part, then layde downe was
At the Apostles sit:
And Peter sayde, Ananias
By what meanes chaunceth it.

That Sathan hath, fylled thyne harte
To cause thee thus to lye:
O to the holy, ghost and parre
Of thy spuelode denye.

Peter

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Bertayned it not, to thee that howze
And after it was solde:
Was not the parte, in thyne owne powze
That thou dost nowe withholde.

Now chaunceth it, that thou shouldest then
Thus bypunge thy selfe to us:
Thou hast not lyed, onely to men
But vnto God also.

And when he was, trulye thus tryed
Hys doynges was abhorde:
He straght gaue vp, the ghost and dyed
Foz tridyng with the Lorde.

Great feare then came, vpon eche heade
That thys dyd heare and see:
The yonge men rose, vp and hym leed
Where he shoulde buryd be.

And it chaunced, within the space
Of thre houres thys was done:
Hys wyfe not knowyng came in place
Appearynge there ryght soone.

And Peter sayde, to her tell me
Solde ye the lande foz thys:
And she ryght soone, to hym sayde ye
I haue sayde as it is:

Then

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Then Peter sayde, I wyll recorde
That ye dyd both consent.
To tempt the spirit, of God the Lorde
As it is euydent.

Beholde the fete, of them that haue
Burpd thy make thys daye:
Be redye to, put thee in graue
Then the fell dead straght waye.

The yonge men then, came in and founde
Her dead lyinge at hande:
They bare her forth, and in the grounde
Layde her by her husbände.

And therewith came, on them great feare
That sawe thys done of ryght:
Guen on all those, that then were there
To see that feareful syght.

By the Apostles handes was wrought
Ryght straunge and wondrous thinges
Amonge the people, which then sought
To heare their good tydynges.

With one accorde, they all were gone
To prayse their Lorde and Kyng:
With in the porche, of Salomon
And that with thankes geuyng.

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Of thother sort, there was not one
Durst loyne hym selfe them to:
And yet of them, some longe had gone
To learne the best to do.

The number of, those men that byd
Welleue the Lorde hys loze:
Men and women, God be praysed
Encreased moze and moze.

That in so much, they brought bedstades
For sycke in to the stretes:
And some were layed, in standyng beddes
And eke some in palletes.

That at the least, Peter myght come
Nye to them that laye there:
When he came by, to shadowe some
Of them that soze sycke were.

There came also, a multitude
From cityes rounde aboute:
To Iherusalem, to seclude
Sycknes from them through out.

And such as were, bered euery there
With vncleane spzites eke one:
Were brought to them, then euery where
And were made whole amone.

The

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The chiefe priest then, rose by vertes
And all that with hym were:
Whiche is the sect, of Saducees
Who then dyd fframe and feare.

Of thapostles, not one went quight
In prilon they were set:
The angell of, the Lorde by nyght
Them out of prilon let.

And brought them forth, & she sayde than
Go steepe forth and speake ryse:
With in the Temple, to euery man
The wordes now of this lyse.

When they heard y, they with good wyll
Into the temple went:
Soone in the morn, for to fulfill
The Lorders commaundment.

The chief priest came, and they that were
With hym in that forenone:
And called counsell, to them there
To knowe what myght be done.

Then of the children, of Israel
The elders were also:
Of them that sat, there in counsell
And bade some for them goo.

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When they then went, to them that had
The prysen then in cure:
They dyd retourne, as men nye mad
Shur was the prysen sure.

The keepers standynge at the doze
To wayt vpon their charge:
And yet of them, they had no poze
God had set them at large.

When the chiefe priest, and he that is
Euen of the temple these:
And eke the hye pristes, heard of this
They mused with muche grese.

Then came one forth, and sayde beholde:
Those that in prysen were:
Stand in the churche, and are full holde
To teache the people there.

The ruler went, with diligence
And ministers of trust:
Which brought them with, out violence
For they feared the worst.

Lest that the people, shoulde them ston
And so their purpose sayle.
They brought them secretly alone
Before the whole counsaile.

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The chiefe priest sayde, to them at large
Be ye not woꝛthy blame:
Syth that we dyd, you straghtly charge
Not to teache in thys name.

Beholde he sayde, then vnto them

The Lorde of your Iesus:
Hath fylled all, Ierusalem
To brynge hys bloude on vs.

Peter and John, they coulde not scape
But boldly sayde euen then:
We ought of ryght, God to obaye
Besoze you that are men.

The God of our, fathers rayled
Iesus our helpe to be:
Whome ye haue slayne, and eke hanged
Vniustly on a tre.

God rayled hym, with hys ryght hande
To saue suche as repent:
That Israel, myght vnderstande
Hys mercye to them sent.

And we be recordes of thys cost
Concernynge our comfozt:
And eke also, the holy ghost
Geuen to the loyall sozt.

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They hearynge that, their w^{ar}ch dyd swel
And sought meanes them to slep:
Then stode by one, of their counsell
An auncient pharisey.

Who was named, Gamaliell
A docto^r of the lawe:
Amonges them all, he dyd excell
Of whom they stode in awe.

He dyd commaunde, to put asyde
Thapostles then straght waye:
That none of them, shoulde there abyde
To heare what he woulde saye.

Ye men of Israel, take hede
Beware what ye entende:
Agaynst these men, or ye procede
Marke what wyll be the ende.

Before these dayes, one Theudas
Arose wth bragge and boiste:
Foure hundred men, then slayne ther was
There gathered in hys hoiste.

And all the rest, that there abode
That vnto hym had sought:
Were scatred here, and there abode
And straght way brought to nought.
And

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And after that, arose a man

Judas of Galilee:

When tribute first, with them began

Men thynkeinge to be free.

So that muche people to hym doted

Whiche was to theyr decaye:

For death to hym, dyd then enleu

He sayne they led awaye.

And now I saye, restryne you then

And let these men alone:

For yf their counsell, be of men

It wyl decaye anon.

But yf it be, of God certayne

He can it not deface:

But shalbe founde, to strue in bayne

And fight agaynst Gods grace.

And then to hym, they dyd agree

And called the apostles all:

They bete them all, none dyd scape free

Suche chaunce to them dyd fall.

And gaue to them, commaundement new

When they had beate them so:

To speake no moze, of their Iesu

And then they let them go.

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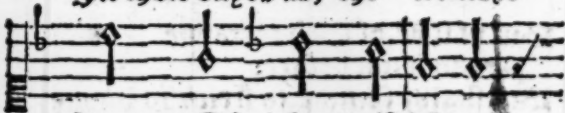
From that councell, they dyd depart
Retoyllynge in the same:
That they myght byde, such payne & smart
Onely for Chyſt hys name,

And in the temple, the dyd teache
The trueth playne to diſcuſ:

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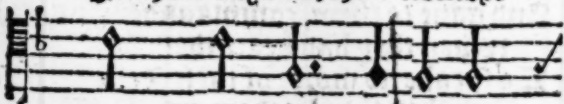


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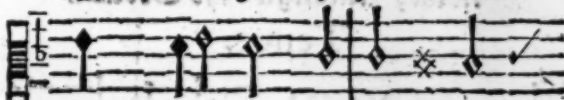
In euery house, styll they preache
The Lorde, and Christ Iesus,

DEACONS appoynted, to the borde
To minister at their nede:
And the Apostles, to the vvorde
Steuē vvas accused in dede.

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In those dayes as, the nombre

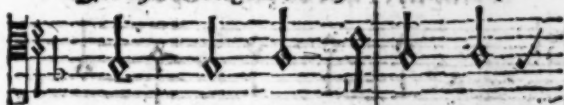


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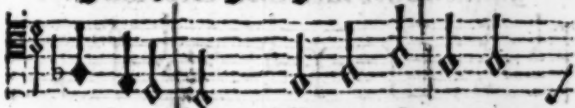


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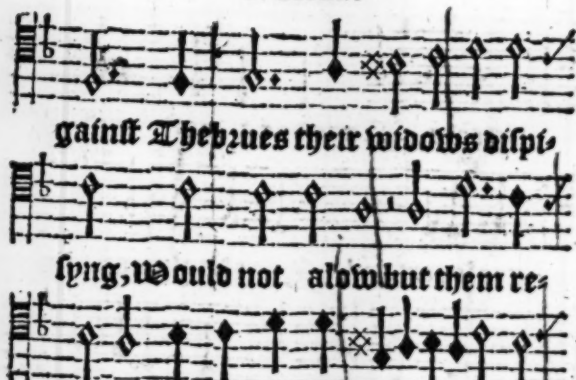
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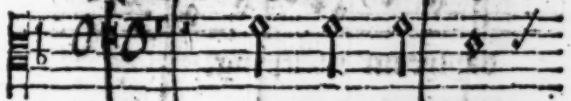


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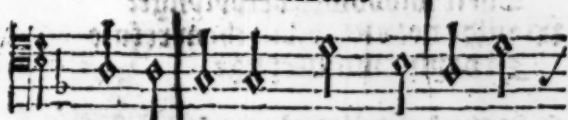


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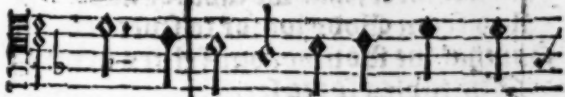
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In those dates as, the nūbr̄e plaine
Of the disciples grewe:
A grudge arose, & greke certayne
That dayly dyd renewe.

Amōgest the Grekes, agaynst Thebꝛues
Their widdowes despylunge:
Woulde not allowe, but them refuse
In daylye ministrynge.

The twelue called, the multitude
Of the disciples all:
Together then, they dyd conclude
And sayde to great and small.

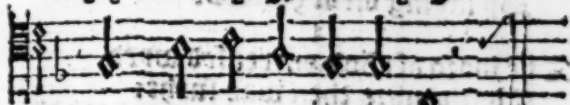
It is not mete, that we shoulde take
And from Gods woꝛde to swerue:
Noꝛ that we shoulde, our selues betake
The tables soꝛ to serue.

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dayly ministring, ministring.



strynge, In daylye ministring.

Wherefore brethren, amonge you seke
Seuen men of honest fame
Full of the spirit, and wisdom eke
To take in hande the same.

But we our selues, wyll still applye
Not carynge for the worde:
To praye and preache continuallye
And minister the worde.

Unto these wordes, of good effect
Agred bothe lest and most:
And saythful Steuen, was then elect
Full of the holy Ghost.

Philip Prochor, and Demenas
With Nican dyd appoche:
So dyd Simon, and Nicolas
Conuert of Antioche.

Be.

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Before thapostles in their state
Not wayed by goodes or landes;
But after prayer, were approbate
By laying on of handes.

The word of God, encreased wyed
The numbze then was suche;
That the dysciples multiplied
With in Jerusalem muche.

They; forermer lyfe, they dyd repent
And so dyd manye, a pryst;
Which then became, obedient
Unto the sayth of Chyst.

And Steuen then full, of sayth and power
Great wonders shewed he;
So that the people every hour
Straunge miracles myght se.

Out of the synagoge dyd lepe
Some sectes of hypocrites:
The lybertins, one sect we clepe
Another Syrenyttes.

Lyketwyle of Alexandria
And men bothe moze and euens
Of Cilice and of Asia
Disputed wyll with Steuen.

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The spirit they coulde, not overcome
So God dyd hym aduance:
With great knowledge, & highe wisdom
Suche was then his vittraunce.

They sent in men, hys wordes to trye
Whiche came and sayde doutles:
We hearde him speake, blasphemously
Agaynst God and Moyses.

And they dyd moue, the people there
The Scribes and elder sorte:
With force to brynge, hym in daunger
By meanes of false reporte.

Before the councell, they hym brought
And matters dyd deuple:
As false witnes, had then out sought
Whiche was nothyng but lyse.

And sayde thys man, wyl not refrayne
Blasphemus wordes to sounde:
Thys holy place, he doth disdayne
Our lawe thus confounde.

Thus he in effectes, with popson breathe
Our sayth for to deface:
And sayth Iesus, of Nazarethe
Shall soone destroye thys place:

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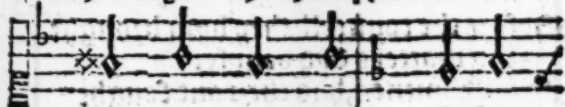
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And so shall chaunge, the ordinaunce
That Moyses gaue to vs:
Which is to vs, no small greouance
By meanes of this Iesus.

The counsell then, in that their rage
Dyd helpe hym in their syght:
And dyd beholde, his sayre visage
Moste lyke an Angell bryght.
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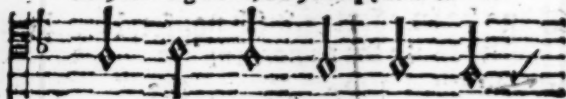
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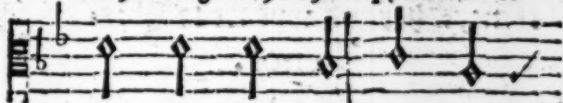
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STEVEN to aunsvvere, doth not refuse
To hys accusers ethe:
And doth rebuke the vvycked Iues
They do hym stone to deathe.

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Then sayde the chese priest is it



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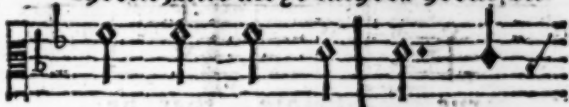


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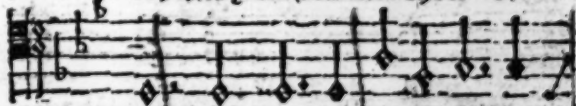
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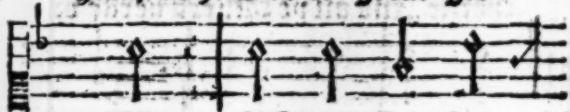
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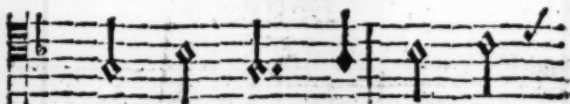


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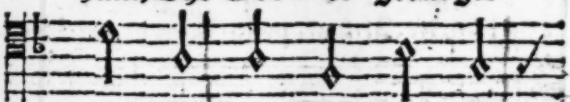


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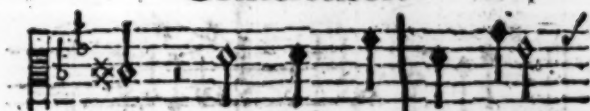


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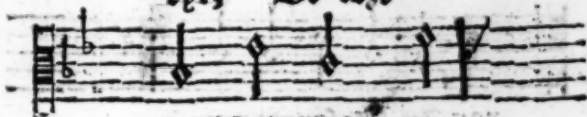
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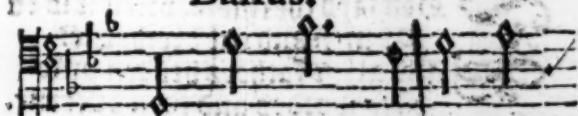


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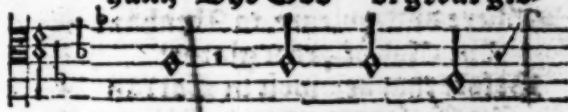


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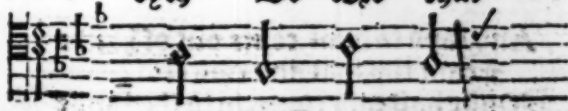
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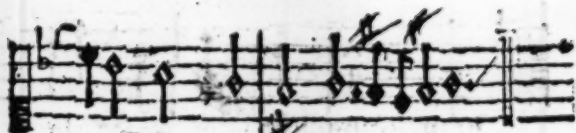
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In Me so po ta mpe,

Tenor.



ran, In Mesopotamye.

Then sayd the chiefe, priest it is so
Ye men and eke bzetherne:
And all ye fathers herken vnto
My wordes and then discern.

There dyd appeare, to Abraham
The God of great gloze:
Besore that he, dwelt in Carran
In Mesopotamye.

And sayd to hym, come out of hande
From thy kyn and contre:
Make hast and come, into the lande
Whiche I shal shewe to thee.

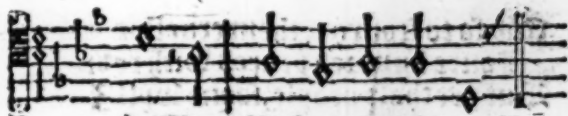
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Bassus.



ran, In Mesopotamye.

Out of the lande, then of Caldey

Retourned he with spede:

The Lords commaundement to obey

Dwelt in Carran in dede.

Soone after ye, shall vnderstande

As hys father was deade:

He brought him then, into the lande

Where nowe your lyfe ye leade.

He gaue hym none, inheritance

Not one fore bzedth by name:

But promysed, he woulde aduance

Hym to possesse the same.

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Beside all thys, yet neuerthelesse
A promise he made fir:
Unto hys seed, that to possesse
When yet no chylde had he.

God without dout, spake on thys wyse
Hys seed shoulde dwel and slepe:
With straungers, that should them despise
And them in bondage kepe.

And so to scourge, them cruellye
Foure hundred yeares with rod:
But yet those people, soone wyll I
Iudge sayth the lynnge God.

And after that, I wyll them plant
To serue me eury where:
And then he gaue, hym the couenant
Of circumcision there.

And he begat, I sake ryght soone
And dyd hym circuncise:
At the ryght daye, it was so done
And I sake in lyke wyse.

Begat Iacob, all thys is sure
And ryght well knowne of clarkes:
Howe that Iacob, by the scripture
Begat twelue Patriarkes.

The

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The Patriarks, then in their rage
Joseph to Egypt sold:
From all distress, in that blage
God dyd hym then with holde.

And gaue hym grace, and great wysdome
In Pharos syght the Kyng:
Who dyd appoynt, hym in great come
To rule in euery thyng.

Then came a verth, in all the lande
Egypt and Canaan:
Therof the grieve, coulde not withstande
Lackynge the foode of man.

Our fathers in, their scarfylte
Hauynge no sustenance:
In Egypt heard, that corne shoulde be
Jacob made puruenance.

And first sent out, euen hys sonnes owne
The seconde tyme also:
To hys brethren, Joseph was knowne
And theyr ke to Pharo.

Then Joseph wolde, hys father dere
As he had well foreseene:
And all his kyn, to be brought nere
Thre scoze soules and syttene.

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Joseph to Egypt descended
And our fathers euen them:
Whiche died and were, all translated
Eche one into Sichein.

And were put in, the sepulcoz
That Abraham bought fre:
For royne of the, sonnes of Emor
In Sichein layd to be.

And when the tyme, of pꝛomes bꝛewe
Aye which that God had swoꝛne:
To Abraham, the people grewe
In Egypt that were boꝛne.

Untyll another Kyng arose
Whiche not of Joseph knewe
Full craftely, the same dyd glose
Our kynred to subdue.

And dyd entreate, our fathers yll
And made them cast out playne:
Their children yonge, their lyues to spyll
That none shoulde there remayne:

And in that tyme, boꝛne was Moyses
A fayre childe in Goddes syght:
Which in hys fathers, house doutles
Thre monthes was fed a ryght.

And

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And then cast on, the water depe
The doughter of Pharo:
Dyd take hym vp, and dyd hym kepe
For her owne sonne also.

He was well sene, in the wysdome:
Of the Egyptians gyle:
Ryght stronge in dedes, he dyd become
And in hys wordes ryght wyse.

When he of age, was fourtye yere
Then in hys heart dyd dwell:
A lone to seke, hys bzetherne dere
Chyldren of Israell.

And when he sawe, one suffer wryonge
Euen of hys bzethzen dere:
Hym to defende, he bode not longe
As ye shall after here.

He dyd Thegyptian ouerthrow
That dyd hys brother smyght:
Thynkyng hys bzethzen, well to know
And vnderstande a ryght.

That God the Lord, euen by his hande
Their lastye shoulde prepare:
Which none of them, dyd vnderstande
The storye doth declare.

The

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The next day then, he dyd aspyre
To stay them in their stryfe:
To make them frendes, was his desire
In loue to leade their lyle.

And sayd to them, with woꝝdes right wise
Syth eche is others bꝛother:
The fonder is, the enterpryse
Foz one to hurt another.

But he that dyd, hys neyghboure wzonge
Thrust hym away sayinge:
Who made thee ruler, vs amonge
To rule in euery thynge.

I wel perceyue, thou wylt me kyll
As thou dydst yester day:
The Egyptian, hys bloude to spyll
And so make me away.

At those woꝝdes Moyses, fled anone
As he thought best to do:
Into the lande, of Madion
Where he gat sonnes two.

When fourty yeres were past awaye
An Angel dyd recoꝝde:
In wyldernes, of mounte Synaye
To hym from God the Loꝝde.

with

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With in a flame, of burnynge fyre
Which lyghted in a bushe:
And caused Moyses, to drawe nere
To see that fyre bushe.

And as he drew, nye to beholde
The voyce of God downe came:
Which sayd to him, with wordes ful bolde
Thy fathers God I am.

I am the God, of Abraham
The Lorde vnto hym sayde:
Isacke and Jacobs, God I am
Which Moyses soze delmayd

He trembled and, durst not drawe nere
Suche feare on hym dyd fall:
Then sayd the Lorde, now Moyses here
And marke what say I shall.

Put of thy shoese, euen out of hande
Let it be done with spede:
The grounde wheron, thy fete do stande
Is holy grounde in dede.

Ryght perfectlpe, I do nowe see
The heuynes appere:
Of my flocke that, in Egypt be
And eke their gronyng there.

And

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And I am come, them to defend
And saue for euer more:
Wherfore beholde, I do thee send
Into Egypt therfore.

This is Moyses, to whome they sayde
Who made the here a ruler:
The same God sent, to them for apde
To rule and eke delouer.

Euen by the handes, of the Angell
Which in the bushe dyd lyght:
The same brought them, out passing well
And shewed straunge thinges in lyght.

In Egypt wonders, dyd appere
And in the red see flete:
In wilbernes, men saw thinges clere
Full fortye yeres complete.

This is Moyses, the whiche dyd tell
And also make report:
To the chylzen, of Israell
These wordes of much comfort.

A Prophete shall, the Lorde for ye
Kaysle by ryght good and iust
Euen of your bryethen, lyke to me
Hym shall ye heare and trust.

And

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And in the congregacion

Thys Moyses was doubtles:
And hearde the voyce, of God alone
Euen in the wylernes.

Whiche then byd talke, assuredlye
With thangel of the Lorde:
Vpon mounte Synay, certaynlye
Dur fathers both recozde:

The worde of lyfe, receyued he
To geue to vs was sent:
Dur fathers wolde, in no wyse be
To hym obedient.

But thrust him from, them with despyght
Their heartes turned echeone:
Into Egypt, to go with myght
And sayde vnto Aron.

Make gods for vs, both more and les
For we can not disrus:
What is become, of thys Moyses
That from Egypt brought vs.

To make a Calfe, thys was their choise
And offered sacrifice:
Vnto the same, and byd reioyce
In that their owne deuyce.

Then

The.vij.Chapter.

Then turned God, from them trulye
And gaue them vp with thretes:
To worſhip ſtarres, wyth in the ſkye
Forſayde of the prophetes.

O ye the houſe, of Iſraell
Gaue me your Sacrifyces:
Meate offeringſ fortye yeres to tell
Wyth in the wildernes.

Soone dyd ye take, and not deſarre
The tabernacle than:
Of Moloch ye, and eke the ſtarre
Of your great God Remphan.

Figures to whome, oft ye dyd bowe
And worſhip them eche one:
Wherefore I will, tranſlate all you
Beyond great Babylon.

The tabernacle, our fathers had
Within the wildernes:
As he appoynted and them had
Speakynge vnto Moſes.

That he ſhuld make, ſe accordyng
As he beſore dyd ſee:
The which our fathers receyvyng
Brought in with Joſue.

Into

The.vij.Chapter.

Into the lande, of the gentyls
whiche God drave out and chyd:
Before our fathers as exyls.
Tyll the tyme of Dauid.

whiche favour found, with God & Lorde
Despyng then that he:
Myght fynde an house, of mete accorde
For Jacobs God to be.

An house for hym, buylt Salomon
But yet the best I ken:
Dwelthe not in temples, made of stone
Wrought by the hands of men.

As he declareth, by hys wote
The Prophet sayinge this:
Heauen is my seat, where on I sit
The earth my fote stole is.

What house then wyl, ye me behest
Sayth God tell you I shall:
Whiche is the place, then of my rest
Nath not my hande made all.

Ye styffe neckte all, both least and most
With heartes and ears ye seke:
Styll to resist, the holy Ghost
As dyd your fathers eke.

G.i.

The

The.vij.Chapter.

The prophetes all, your fathers loze
Nedes persecute them must:
And eke slew them, which taught befoze
The commynge of the iust.

Whose murtherers, and traptours now
Ye are and to them knit:
The Angels gaue, the lawe to you,
And ye haue not kept it.

When they hearde thys, great was their
Their heartes did cleaue in two: (grefe
Gnashynge on hym, euen with their tethe
And knewe not what to do:

He was ful of, the holy ghoſt
Hys eyes to heauen dyd ſtande:
Which ſawe the glozy, of the Lorde
And Chyiſt on hys ryght hande.

And ſayde beholde, the heauens I ſe
Appere ſoz my lyuelod:
And eke the ſonne, of man to be
At the ryght hande of God.

Then they cryde out, with rozyng voyce
And ſtopt their eares and bzythe:
Thus in their rage, they toke their choyce
And ſtoned hym to deathe

The

The.vij.Chapter.

The witnesses, their clothes downe layde
Then at a mans fete euen: (sayde
Whose name was Sahle, which then as
With them to ston good Steuen.

Which cryde and sayd, Lord Christ Iesu
Receyue my sprite thys daye:
He kneled downe, all thys is trew
And on thys wyse dyd saye.

Take not thys synne, Lord to their charge
Thus he dyd call and clepe:
Of that their synne, them to discharge
And so he fell a slepr.

The Contentes.

HOVV Philip came to Samary
Simon the vvhyche dyd sayne:
Philip dyd baptyse vvyllynglye
Eunuch the chamberlayne.

G.ii. The

The.viiij.Chapter.

Meane.



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Tenor.



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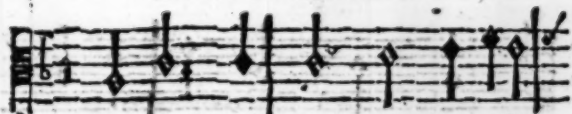
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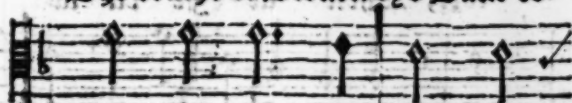
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Countertenor.



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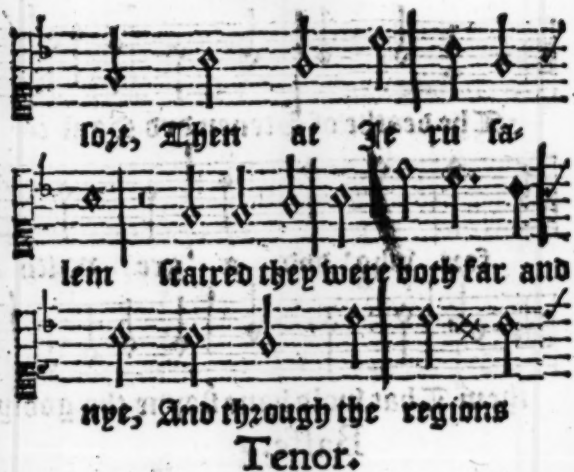
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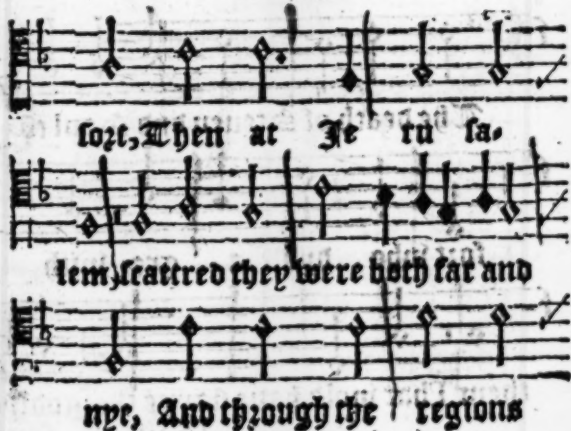
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Meane.



Sozt, Then at Je ru sa
lem scattred they were both far and
nye, And thzough the regions
Tenor.


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Sozt, Then at Je ru sa
lem, scattred they were both far and
nye, And thzough the regions

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The.viii. Chapter.
Contertenor.



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lem scatted they were both far and
nye, And thzough the regions
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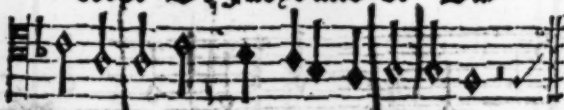


Samar ye, The twelue onely except.

Tenor.



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mar ye, The twelue onely except.

The death of Steue dyd Saule com
who did agre with them: (forte
That would haue slayne, the godlye
Then at Ierusalem. (forte

Scattered they were, both far and nye
And throughe the regions crept:

The.viiij.Chapter.

Countertenor.



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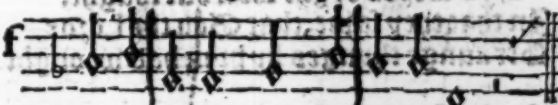


Samarie, The twelue onely except.

Bassus.



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Samarie the twelue onely except.

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The twelue onely except.

Denoute there were, that dressed Steuen

Of whomeffones brake eche hym:

Welydes thet opntmentes, to hym geuen

A hey dyd wepe ouer hym.

But

The.vij. Chapter.

But of the congregacion than
Saul spared no mans lyfe:
But sought the house, of euery man
And dreyue out man and wyfe.

In pryson fast, he dyd them place
But those that went about:
Dyd preache the worde, of lyfe and grace
Euen as they went throughtout.

And Philippe came, a cytpe to
Which was of Samarye:
And preached Christ, as he to do
Had power geuen from an hye.

The people then, with one accorde
Dys words ryght well out sought:
In that they sawe, that God the Lorde
Straunge thynges by hym had wrought.

For vncleane sprites, with roynge voyce
Came out of sundrye men:
That were posselt, and had no choyse
But cald on Philip then.

The palseyes he, dyd heale also
And therof was not roye:
The halte he heald, that coulde not go
In whome became great ioye.

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The.viiij.Chapter.

A certayne man, there was whose name:
was Simon truth to tell:
Whiche here tofore, the very same
In witchcraft dyd excell.

Albho the people, bewycht to fore
That dwelt in Samarye:
And eke repozte, he coulde do moze
Great thynges miraculouſlye.

He was had in great reuerence
Of all that there abode;
Whiche ſayde no dout, he doth commence
The myghtye power of God.

Because of hys continuance
By hym they ſet muche by;
The mocked them, and dyd aduance
Hym ſelfe with ſorcerye.

When Philipes words, they dyd wel heare
Wha taught of Gods kyngdome:
And in the name, of Chriſt Jeſu
Baptiſed they dyd become.

Simon hym ſelfe, dyd then helene
And baptiſed was alſo;
Abdyng ſtyll, by Philipes ſeue
And woulde net from hym go.

But

The. viij. Chapter

But wondred much, then to beholde
The signes that he dyd see:
And miracles, so manifolde
By Philip done to be.

The apostles hearing, that were glad
Then at Jerusalem:
That Samarpe, receyued had
The worde of God to them.

And sent Peter, and John ayngher
To them in to that coss:
Who when they came, prayde that they
Receyue the holy Gost. (myght)

Which was as yet, on them not come
That shoulde them all renew:
Baptised they were, both all and some
Onely in Christ Iesu.

Then dyd they lay, their handes right
On them both lest and most: (soone
And eche man dyd, when that was done
Receyue the holpe gost.

When Symon dyd, beholde and se
By handes that they dyd laye:
The holy ghost, receyue myght he
He offered them money.

And

The.viii. Chapter.

And sayde also, geue me thys powre
On whome my handes shall lye:
He may receyue, euen in that houre
The holy ghost ther by.

Then Peter sayd, whose wordes abhorde
Thy goodes nowe percethe with the:
That thinkst the gistes, of God the Lorde
With goodes well gotten be.

Thou hast no parte, nor felowshipp
In thys our busynes:
Thy harte away, from God doth lipp
Repent thy wyckednes.

And praye to God, thy thoughtes may fall
That in thy heart now be:
For thou art fall, of bytter gall
Was apt in inquite.

Then Simon sayde, for thys my mis
Lyste vp your heartes with me:
And pray to God, that none of this
Unto my charge layde be.

And when that they, had testifide
And taught the worde to them:
They wold retorne, that tyme and tyde
Unto Ierusalem.

And

The.viiij.Chapter.

And they dyd preache, the Gospell still
In Cities as they went:
Through Samarye, as was the will
Of hym that had them sent.

The angell of, the Lorde dyd saye
To Whilyp and hym lede:
Arise and go, towarde myddaye
Vnto the waye wyth spede.

That gothe downe from, Jerusalem
To Gaza in desert:
And he arose, and went on then
Euen wyth a loupng heart.

And nowe beholde, a man certayne
Of Ethiopia:
Which was a noble Chamberlayne
Then commyng from Gaza.

He had the rule, of great Substans
Euen wyth the Quene Candace:
Quene of the Ethiopians
Her tresorer he was.

Jerusalem sayne he woulde get
Onelye therein to praye
He homewarde red, in his Charet
Of the prophet Esaye,

The

The.viii. Chapter.

The spirit of God, to Philip sayde
Go nere to ponder man:
And loyne thy selfe, to hym for ayde
And Philip to hym ran.

He sawe the booke, then in his hande
And heard him on it rede:
And sayde doste thou, now vnderstande
What thou doste rede in dede.

The Chamberlayne, the truth dyd tell
And sayde he well espyde:
He coulde not vnderstande it well
Except he had a gyde.

Of Philip then, full saynt he wert
And wolde him to drawe nere:
And syt wyth hym, to playne the text
That he of hym dyd here.

The Tenor of, the text certayne
Was as this that he dyd saye:
He as a Shepe, led to be slayne:
And as a Lambe downe laye.

Before his therer, wyth meknes,
His mouth not once vnsparde:
Because of that, his humblenes
They dyd hym not regarde.

Who

The.viii. Chapter.

Who shall declare, and eke expound

This generacion playne:

This lyfe is taken, from the ground,

Then sayde the Chamberlayne.

I praye the frende, be thou content

To open yf thou can:

The prophets wordes, by hym selfe ment

W^t by sum other man.

Philip opened, his mouth so pure

The trueth then to discus:

And dyd begyn, the same scripture

And taught hym Christ Iesus.

And as they went, fyll on their waye

A water he dyd spye:

The Chamberlayne, to hym dyd saye

Se here thys water bye.

What shal me let, baptysed to be

Then Philip to hym sayde:

Yf thou beleue, wyth heart ryght fre

Thou mayst not be denyde.

He answered him, I do beleue

That Christe is God his sonne:

Wyllinge the Charet, not to meue,

I pl that good worke were donne.

They

The.vij. Chapter.

They with good wyll, went downe bothe
And in the water were: (twayne
Bothe Philip and, the Chamberlayne
Whom Philip baptised there.

This done they dyd, come out agayne
The sprite of Godly loze:
Toke Philip from, the chamberlayne
He coulde see him no more.

Then on hys waye, he passed thus
Reioysynge in hys heart.
And Philip was founde, at Azotus
The people to conuert.

And he dyd walke, the contrey styl
Preachynge continuallye:
In all their ctytes, taught vntyll
He came to Cesarye.

The Contentes.

PAVLE is conuerted to the Lorde
The Iues he dothe confounde;
Tabythas lyfe, Peter restorde
V When she lay deade on grounde.

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Sauls

The. ix. Chapter.

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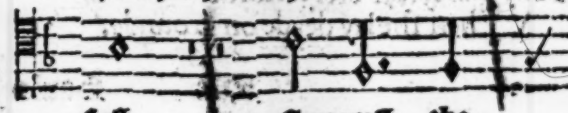
Tenor.



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Contertenor.



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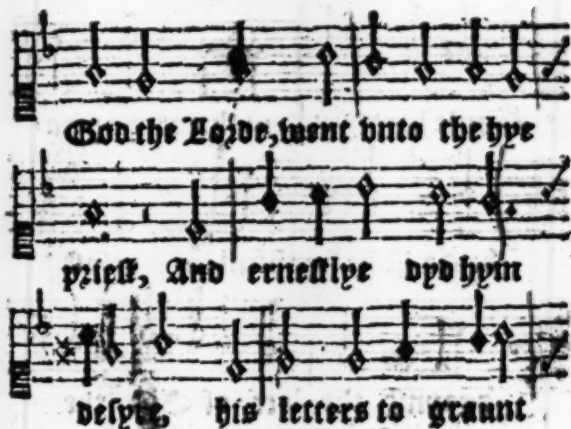
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The .ix. Chapter.
Meane.



God the Lord, went unto the hye
priest, And earnestlye byd hym
desyre, his letters to graunt

Tenor.



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priest, And earnestlye byd hym
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Countertenor.



Forde, went vnto the hye priest



And earnestlye dyd hym de-



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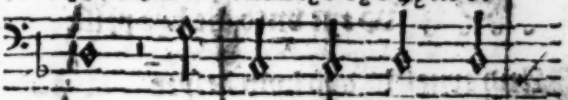
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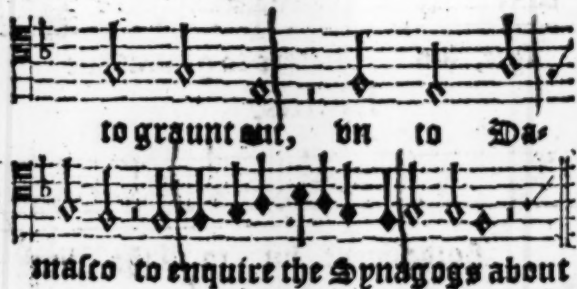
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The.ix. Chapter.

Meane.



Tenor.



Soule breathing out, threatenings
The faythful to resist: (abzode
Agaynst thelett, of God & Lorde
we ent vnto the hye prist.

And earnestly, dyd hym desyre
Thys letters to graunt out:

Unto

The. ix. Chapter.

Countertenor.



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enquyre, the Synagogs about.

Bassus.



out, Vnto Damasco to



enquyre, the Synagogs about.

Vnto Damasco to enquire
The Synagogs about.

To fynde such as, on Christ beleeues
Man or woman of them;
That he might bring, the booke as theues
Vnto Jerusalem.

B. llll. But

The. ix. Chapter.

But as he went, and was come nye
Damasco for thys thyng:
He was beset, then sodaynlye
wth lyght from heauen shynynge.

And stragghe vnto, the earth fell he
And heard a voyce recozde:
Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me
He sayde what art thou Lorde.

Then sayde the Lorde, Iesus I am
w^home thou dost tolle and tozne:
It wyl be harde, for thee mad man
Agaynst the pyrke to spozne.

He tremblyng then, sayde on thys wyse
Lorde what wylt thou I do:
And then the Lorde, bad hym arys
The cite go in to.

And ther it shall, be tolde to thee
Men hearynge ther this noyce:
Amased were, that no man see
But hearde a certayne voyce.

And Saul arose, then from the grounde
Hys eyes he then opened:
And sawe no man, but hearde the sounde
Of suche as hym then led.

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The. ix. Chapter.

Who brought hym then, to Damasco!
Thre dayes hys syght was blancke:
He sawe no lyght, great was hys wo
He nether eate nor dranke.

A certayne discipyle, there was
That at Damasco lay:
Who was named, Ananias
The Lorde to hym dyd say.

Ananias, worke myne aduice
Here Lorde he dyd repeate
And then the Lorde, bad hym arise
And go into the streete.

Whiche streete, is called strayght in dede
And further more, do thus
In Judas house, looke thou with speede
For one Saule of Tharsus

Beholde he prayeth, and he hath sene
A vision brought to pas:
Wherin appeared, as it had bene
The man Ananias.

Who as he thought, to hym drew nere
To helpe hys heauye plyght:
And by hys handes, as nyght appere
He shoulde receyue hys syght,
Then

The.ix. Chapter.

Then answerd he, the Lorde direct
And made of Saule complayntes:
Howe he had delt, with hys elect
In Iury that were sayntes.

And here he hath, authorize
From the hye priestes to stave:
And bynde all those, that call on the
The Lorde to hym dyd save.

Go on thy wayes, and do these thynges
For he is geuen to me:
To beare my name, befoze all kynges
And where the Gentyls be.

And eke chyldren, of Israell
For I wyll hym betake
To suffer great thynges, passynge well
Onelye for my names sake.

Ananias, went on hys waye
And vnto Saule dydwe nere:
And eke hys handes, on hym dyd laye
And sayde Saule brother dere.

The Lorde that dyd, appeare to thee
In the hye wayes so byght:
Hath sent me now, to make thee see
Wherfoze receyue thy syght.

The

The .ix. Chapter.

The holy ghost, shal thee suffies
And fyll thee with good tales:
And the fel thinges, downe from hys eyes
Lyke as they had bene scales.

He dyd receyue, hys syght certayne
So dyd he then baptyzm:
And eke dyd eat, his meate agayne
Whiche dyd well comferte hym.

And certayne dayes, Saule would not go
But kept with the elect:
Whiche then abode, at Damasco,
The sayth there to erect.

Saule preached Christ, with heart ryght
The sinagoges dyd vse: (fre
Anoutheringe Christ, Gods sonne to be
That all muche dyd muse.

Some sayde is not, thys man the same
That latelye spoyled them:
Whiche then dyd call, on Christ his name
Euen at Ierusalem.

And also came, for thys entent
If any suche he founde:
Besoze thygh priest, them to conuent
And eke to bypunge them bounde.

But

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But Saule in strength, encreased so
The Jewes he dyd resist:
Whiche then dyd dwel, at Damasco
Affirminge verye Christ.

Within a whyle, Saule preachynge still
Whose wordes abrode were blowne:
The Jewes toke, councel him to kill
The whiche to Saule was knownt.

They dyd laye wayte, both day and nyght
And on the gates dyd watche:
Full cruelly, agaynst all ryght
Thys lyfe then to dispatche.

But the disciples, knowynge all
Their purpose then to tell:
By nyght they put, him through y wall
Downe in a great basket.

When he came to, Jerusalem
Disciples beyng theare:
He sayed to ioyne, hym selfe to them
But they dyd hym muche feare.

And scarcely woulde, beleue that God
Thys thyng in hym had wrought:
But Barnabas that there abod
Hym to thappostles brought.

And

The. ix. Chapter.

And dyd declare, to them also
That sene the Lorde he had:
In the hye way, as he dyd go
And what the Lorde hym had.

And how he had, ryght boldely done
The synagoges througout:
In preachynge Christ, to be Gods sonne
Damasco rounde about.

And then he had, the company
Of them with ryght good wyll:
And in the cite, taught boldly
The name of Iesus Kyll.

And he dyd speake, and eke dispute
Euen with the Grekes certayne:
He stoutly rode, them to confute
And they wolde him haue slayne.

But when the brethren dyd espye
They would haue slayne hym thus:
They brought him vnto Cesarpe
And sent hym to Tharsus.

Then dyd the congregacion lye
Throughe Jewry al at rest:
And Galile, and Samarye
Were edified and blest.

The

The.ix.Chapter.

The feare of God, they dyd support
In eche countrey and cost:
They multiplyd, in the comfort
Euen of the holye ghost.

And it chaunced, as Peter went
And of all countreys felt:
The Lorde vnto, the sainctes him sent
Which then at Lidda dwelt.

A man he founde, of heauye there
Whose name was Eneas:
The which had kept, his bed. viii. yere
Sicke of the Paultye was.

Eneas then, dyd Peter saye
Christ Iesus comfort thee:
Arise and make, thy bed straght waye
And then arise dyd he.

And al Lidda, and Assaron
Of this doth beare recorde:
Which saw the man, and ther vpon
Dyd tourne vnto the Lorde.

There was a woman, at Ioppa
A discipule she was:
Whose name was called, Tabitha
Which is to saye Dorcas,

Full

The.xi.Chapter.

Full of good worckes, he was alwayes:
And eke in almes tryed:
It chaunced so, euen in those dayes
That he was speke and dyed.

When they had washt, her certaynlye
And in her Chamber layde:
Because Lidda, was Joppa nye
Then the disciples sayde.

That Peter was, then at Lidda
And sent one to report:
That their desyre, was to Joppa
He shoulde to them resort.

Peter arose, and quickely sought
For them that Dorcas kept:
Into the Chamber, they hym brought
Where all the wydowes wept.

And shewed suche coates, as he dyd make
And also dyd conuert:
Unto their vse, for Christ hys sake
And Peter sayde depart.

He kneeled downe, and eke dyd praye
And on the dead dyd crye:
Tabitha nowe, aryse I saye
And she lyst by her eye.

And

The.x. Chapter.

And when she sawe, Peter there stande
Her selfe she dyd by raple:
And then he toke, her by the hande
And lyft her by strayght wayse.

Unto the sayntes, and widowes then
A lyue he brought her out:
And it was knowne, vnto all men
In Ioppa rounde about.

And manye that, were them amonge
Belened then eche where:

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And he abode, in Joppa longe
with Simon Tanner there.

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And then the Lorde sent hym;
To Cornelye the good Captayne
The Heathen receaue Baptym.

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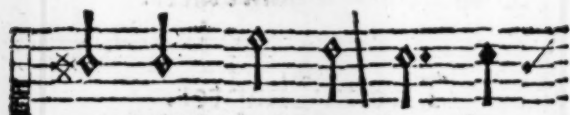
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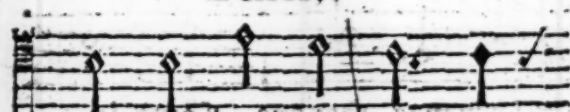


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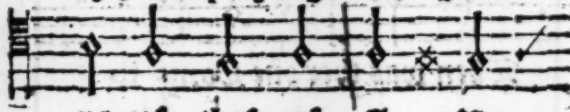
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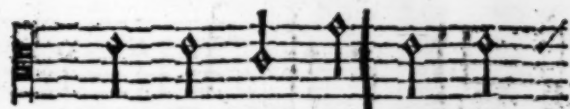


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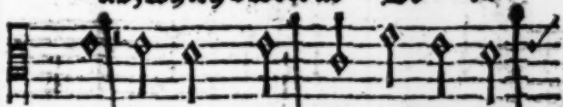


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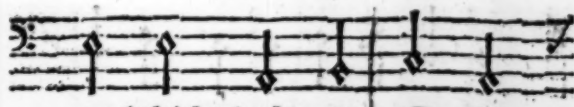


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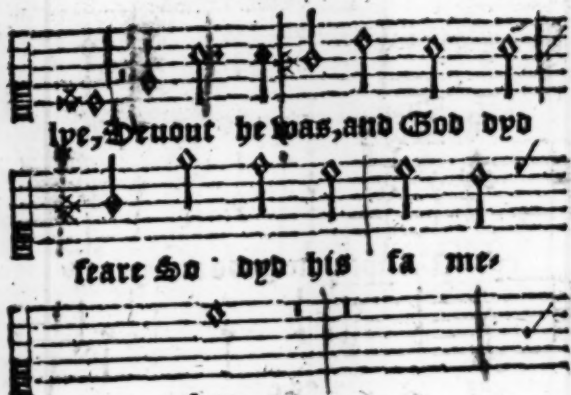
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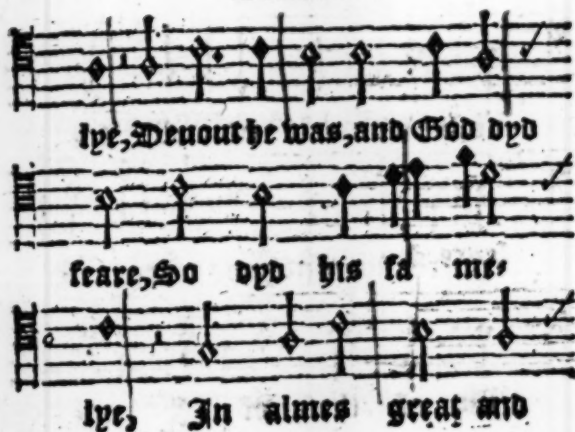
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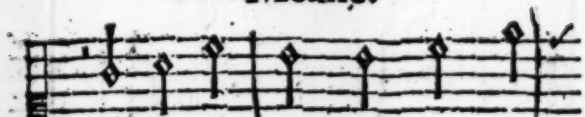
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Then was there one, Cornelius
whiche dwelt at Cesarye:
A Captayne good, and gracious
Of those of Italye.

Denout he was, and God byd feare
So byd hys famelye:
In almes great, and in prayer
Abode continuallye.

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The.x. Chapter.
Countertenor.



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Unto hys syght, God dyd bewraye
Hys angell glorius:
About the nynt, houre of the daye
Whiche sayde Cornelius.

Who loked vp, hym to beholde
And was afrayed certayne:
He sayde how Lorde, may I beholde
To knowe the matter playne.

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The. x. Chapter.

The angel sayde, then in that place
Thyne almesse and prayers all:
Dyd come befoze, the throne of grace
When thou to God dydst call.

Wherfoze to Joppa, sende anon
Some trustye messenger:
And byd hym call, for one Simon
Whose surname is Peter.

In Simon tanners, house he is
Lodged by the sea syde:
Who shall thee teache, the worde of blis
Wherin thou shalt abyde.

And when the angel, that spake thus
Departed was and gon:
Then strayt way dyd, Cornelius
Two seruauntes call bypon.

And eke a deuoute, sougier
On hym that dyd attend:
He tolde hys mynde, and for Peter
To Joppa dyd them send.

Then on the mozne, they rose right soone
And went fast on their waye:
But Peter went, about hygh noone
Up in a loft to praye.

When

The .x. Chapter.

When hunger dyd, moue hym to eate
Withynge for sustenance:
While they for hym, prepared meate
He fell into a trance.

And sawe þe heauen, then cleaue in twayne
A bestell downe dyd glyde:
And to his syght, appeared playne;
A thete both large and wyde.

The corners knyt, haupnge therin
fourfoted beastes ful sayre:
Wormes of erche sort, also berym
And eke soules of the ayre.

There came a voyce, to hym and sayde
Kysse Peter kyll and eate:
But Peter then, as one dismayde
Began thus to entreate.

And sayde no Lorde, that I refuse
It were synne as I meane:
For I in meate, dyd neuer vse
Thynges common or vncleane.

The voyce then spake, the seconde tyme
And sayde of thys be sure:
What God doth cleanse, is voyde of crime,
Make thou it not vnpure.

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The.x.Chapter.

Thys was done thysle, in hys presens
The truth to tell you playne:
The bestell then, dyd ban the thens
Up in to heauen agayne.

When Peter thus, was in great dout
What thys shoulde signifie:
Beholpe the men, that were sent out
From captayne Coznelye.

Enquired where, Simon dyd dwell
Before the doze standyng:
Desyryng one, to them to tell
Where was Peters lodgyng.

While Peter in, hys mynde dyd muse
What thys straunge syght myght be
The synte to hym, these words dyd vse
Beholde these men seke thee.

Aryse and do, thy selfe prepare
To go with them an ende:
And haue no dout, noz yet no feare
For I to thee them fende.

Then Peter to, the men downe went
And sayde lo I am he:
Hath any man, you to me sent
What is your wyl with me.

They

The.x.Chapter.

They sayde captayne, Cornelius
A iust man without blame:
Whiche feareth God, most graci-
ous Of good reporte and fame.

Amonge the people, of the Iews
Was warned by an angell:
To sende for the, to heare good newes
Of Gods most holpe Gospel.

Into the house, with good entent
He dyd them leade to hollage:
The next daye then, forth Peter went
With them euen in their byage.

And certayne brethren, of Ioppage
Dyd beare hym companye:
So dyd they all, on the thirde daye
Come vnto Cesarye.

Cornelius then, with hys kynred
And frendes especiall:
Whome he together had called
Wayted for Peter all.

And as Peter, by chaunce came in
The Captayne dyd hym mete:
In presence of hys, frendes and kin
Fell downe at Peters fete.

To

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To worſhipp hym, then at a bzayde
Cornelius then began:

But Peter toke hym vp and ſayde
Stand vp I am a man.

So Peter led hym forth with talke
Untyl he entred in:
Where he dyd ſynde, much people walke
And then he dyd begyn.

And ſayde to them, ye knowe befoze
That heauye is the daunger:
For vs the Jues, by Moyses loze
To ioyne with a ſtraunger.

But yet the Lorde, hath ſhewed to me
That I ſhoulde call no moze:
No man vncleane, what ſo he be
I doubted not therfoze:

To come as ſoone, as you dyd ſende
To knowe what it myght be:
I aſke you now, therfoze the ende
And cauſe ye ſent for me.

It is now ſayde, Cornelius
About ſoure dayes a go:
Synce that I was, muche deſyrus
To faſt and praye alſo.

Then

The .x. Chapter.

Then in my house, at the nyght houer
As I was there prayinge:
Beholde one stode, of myghtye power
By me in bygght clothynge.

He sayde to me, Cornelius
Thy prayer is accept:
Thy almes dedes, are precious
And in remembraunce kept.

Before the face, of God always
Which is our God alone:
Therefore with speede, sende to Joppaye
And call for one Simone.

Whose surname, is called Peter
At Jnne he doth abyde:
And lodge with Simon the tanner
Not far from the sea syde.

When he commeth, he shall playnly
Do thee to vnderstande:
What is my wyll, and then dyd I
Sende for thee out of hande.

It is well done, that thou art come
For we are here present:
Before the Lorde, bothe all and some
To heare hys commaundment.

With

The.x. Chapter.

Wp̃th open mouthe, Peter sayde then
From truthe I will not waue:
Before the Lorde no sortes of men
P̃receminence can haue.

But all suche as, feareth his grace
And worketh ryghtwisenes:
Wp̃th his mercye, he doth embrace
Acceptyng moze and les.

The word that God, to Israell
Through Iesus Chyſt dyd sende
He is the Lord, ye knowe ryght well
In euery coast and ende.

How it was than, bzuted amonge
The Iues in eche countre:
But fyrſt of all, howe that it ſpronge
Euen out of Galile.

After Johns Baptyme, and preachyng
God wp̃th his holy bzethe:
And ſtrength anoynted p̃ieſt and kyng
Ieſus of Nazareth.

Whiche went aboute, and much good dyd
To thoſe that were in payne:
From Satans force, he dyd them ryd
God was wp̃th him certayne.

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The .x. Chapter.

Of all he dyd, the Iues vntyll
And in their chere Lite:
We witness are, whom they dyd kyll
And hanged vpon a tre.

Whome God dyd rayse, y^e thyrde daye next
And shew him openlye:
Not to all men, as sayth the text
But vnto vs onelye.

Whome God dyd chole, to beare witness
Whiche feed wth meate and bread:
And dranke wth him, alyue doutles
Arisen from the dead.

And vs to preache, commaunded he
And to instruct eche head:
That God appoynted, hym to be
A iudge of quicke and dead.

The Prophetes all, witness with same
That all beleuers wyntes:
Through hys merites, and holy name
Remission of their synnes.

Whyle Peter yet, these wordes dyd tell
That God dyd hym afforde:
The holy ghost, on them all fell
That hearkned to the worde.

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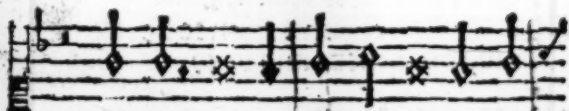
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The saythfull people, of the Jewes
which Peter with hym led:
Amased were, soze at thole newes
when that Gods sprite was shed.

And powzed on, the heathen soze
whom they without delay:
With diuers tonges, heard make repozte
Of Gods high prayse alway

At that tyme Peter dyd aunswere
May any man vs let:
Or els for byd, but that watere
Amonge vs may be set.

Meane.



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The .xj. Chapter.

To baptise these, both lest and mozt
which here in presence be:
Endeilde nowte with, the holy ghost
To grace as well as we.

And to prepare, these to Baptym
He charged them straght wayes
Then in Gods name, they moued hym
To tarye there fewe dayes.

AND Peter doth, declare the cause
VVhy he to the heathen vvent:
Paule Barnabas, doth preache the lause
Of hym that then them sent.

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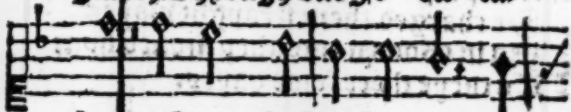


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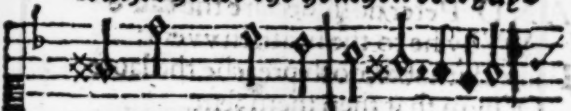
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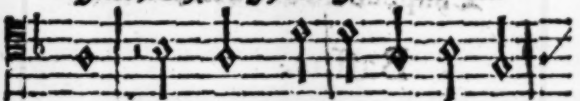


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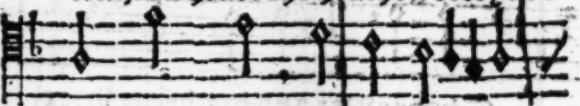
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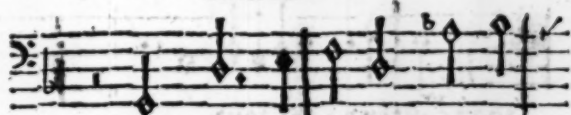


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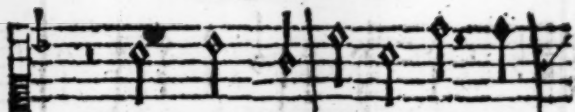


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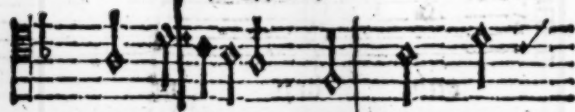


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The Apostles and brethren were glad
Throughout Jerusalem:
To heare the heathen, receiued had
The worde of God to them.

When Peter to, Jerusalem
Came to hys lozneyes ende:
They of the circumcision
With hym dyd then contende.

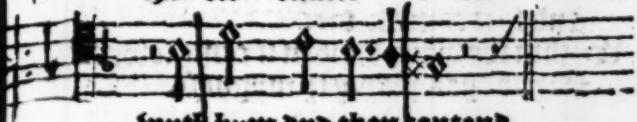
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And sayde of late, thou wentst into
Thuncircumcyde in dede:
W ith them to eate, whiche thyng to do
Dur lawe hath not decrede.

Peter began, then to debate
The thynges as they dyd chaunce
And sayde I was, in Joppa late
Prayinge and in a traunce.

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The.xj.Chapter.

As I in dede, playnelye had sene
A vessell descendyng:
A large whyte cloth, as it had bene
From heauen then downe comyng.

Let downe it was, by corners fouer
And so it came to me:
Within the whiche, when it came lower
Myne eyes playnely myght se.

Fourfoted beastes, that seemed fayre
Uermen and wormes there layde:
And also foules, out of the ayre
A voyce to me then sayde.

Peter aryse, slee thou and eate
And I sayde Lorde, God thyld:
For in my mouth, came neuer meate
Then common or yet desyld.

And then the voyce, dyd aunswere me
From heauen with good accorde:
Count not those thynges, vncleane to be
That cleansed hath the Lorde.

Thre tymes thys thyng, was brought a:
As I haue shewed you playne: (bout
And all thynges was, without all dout
Up take to heauen agayne.

And

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And then beholde, immediatlye

There came to me thre men:

The which were sent, from Celsar

Onely to seke me then.

And then the sprite, to me dyd saye

Do thou thy selfe prepare:

To go with them, forth on their waye

And haue therof no feare.

Moreover then, syre brethren went

In companye of vs:

Unto the house, of hym that sent

Whiche was Cornelius:

How he had sene, he shewed to vs

The aungel of the Lorde:

Whiche sayde to hym, Cornelius

To Joppa sende thou worde.

To Simon Peter, one of myne

Who shall tell words to thee:

Wherby that thou, and eke all thyne

No dout shall saued be.

And then as I, began to preache

The sprite on them fel thus:

As dyd on vs, when we dyd teache

The Lorde and Christ Jesus.

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Then

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Then in my head, I dyd recorde
Great thinges that I then wayde:
Whiche were the words, of God y^e Lorde
That he in dede had sayde.

John with water, he dyd baptyse
But ye shal baptyfed be:
Euen with the spyte, that is right wyse
With in fewe dayes trust me.

Then forasmuch as God dyd geue
To them as. vnto vs:
When we dyd fyrst, preache and beleue
The Lorde and Christ Iesus.

What was I then, that I should feare
And eke the Lorde denye:
When they heard y^e, they helde their peace
And God dyd glorifye.

And sayd also, that God had sent
The Gentils euen the same:
Their former lyfe, then to repent
Beleuyng in his name.

Those that before, abrode were. dyuen
Through persecution stronge:
The which arose, about good Steuen
From place to place went longe.

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The.xj.Chapter.

Untyll they came, to Phenices
Cipers and Antioche:
Unto the Jewes, both moze and les
Wylpe they dyd appoche.

And eke of Cipers there were some
And of Sirene also:
To Antioche, when they were come
Unto the Grekes dyd go.

And preached then, the Lorde Jesus
Whose hande with them abod:
A great numbze, beleued vs
And turned vnto God.

Of these thinges tydings came anon
Unto the eares of them:
That were the congregation
Then at Jerusalem.

And they sent forth, one Barnabas
To Antioche in peare:
When he came there, right glad he was
To see the sayth encrease

Exhorting them, not once to part
Sith God had them restorde:
Unto his grace, that they with heart
Should cleaue vnto the Lorde.

Ryght

The.xj. Chapter

Right good he was, euen from his youth
Full of the sprite and sayth:
Much people he, vnto the truth
Dyd wyne the stozpe sayth.

Then Barnabas, to Tharsus sought
To see Saule there appoche:
Vpon whose sight, right soone he brought
Hym vnto Antioche.

And it chaunced, that one whole yere
They kept together still:
Euen with the, congregacion there
And taught the Lorde bys wyll.

That in so much, thelect that were
At Antioche euen then:
Were those in dede, that first dyd beare
The name of Christen men.

In those dayes from, Jerusalem
The Prophetes came to vs:
To Antioche, and one of them
Was named Agabus.

Whiche by the sprite, then signified
Great dearth shoulde then succede:
And that throughout, the worlde so wyde
Whiche came to passe in dede.

The.xj. Chapter.

In Claudius dayes, the Emperour
Thelect them selues dyd bynde:
Eche man accor,dyng to hys power
Some succour then to sende.

Unto the byethen, in Turpe
Whiche thynge they brought to pas
And sent vnto the Elders bye
Saul and eke Barnabas.

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The contentes.

HERODE doth persecute Christes flocke
And doth slaye Iames in dede:
In pryton he, doth Peter locke
The vvorines Herode doth fede.

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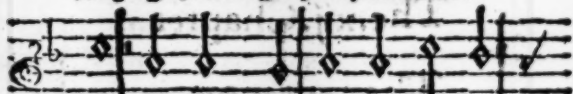
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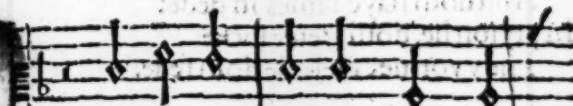


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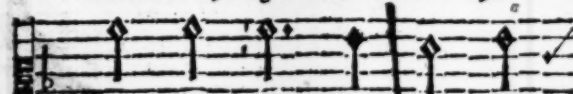


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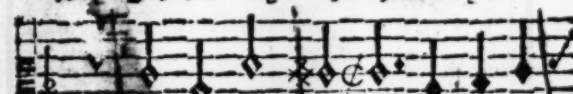
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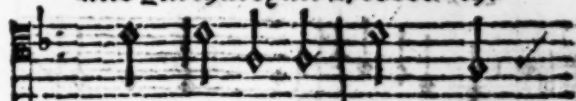


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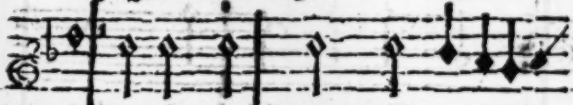
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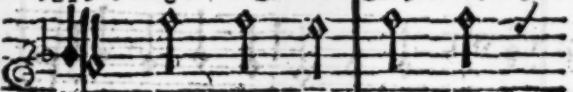
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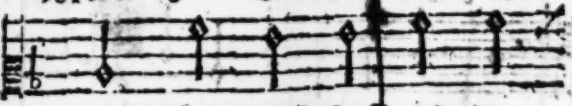
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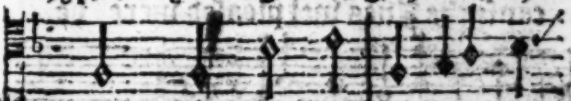
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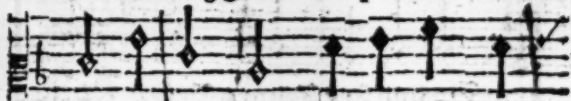


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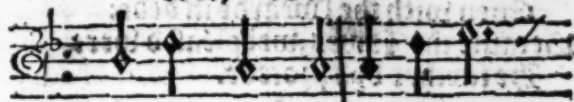
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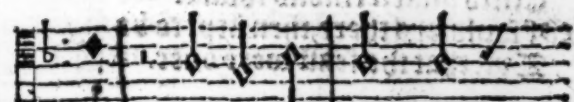


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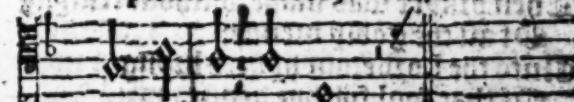
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And in that tyme, Herode the kynge
He dyd hys handes let slyppe:
To trouble men, of good lpyunge
And godly felowshyppe.

He dyd slaye James, Johns brother dere
Euen with the swearde in dede:
Becaus the Jewes, wel pleased were
He further dyd procede.

It was the dayes, then of swete bread
And he caught Peter fast:
With violence, boide of all dread
In prysen dyd hym fast.

Delyuerynge hym, a charge gaue he
Unto quarternions sower:
Of souldiers there, then kept to be
Tyll that the feast were ouer.

Entendynge then, once easter pass
That out he shoulde be brought
But Peter was, in prysen fast
Tyll God for hym had wrought

Then prayer was made, without ceasynge
Of all the godly menne:
Unto the Lorde, out hym to bring
Of that soul fylthye denne.

When

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When Herode would, haue had hym sene
And brought befoze the route:

The same nyght Peter, kept betwene
Two souldiers stowe and stoute.

Bounde with two chaynes, in lodgyng
And so he fell a slepe: Poze

The keepers standynge at the doze
The prison fast to kepe.

Beholde the Angel, of the Lorde
Was present in that tyde:

The lodge to lyght, he then restorede
And smote on Peters syde:

And tyred hym, who lay in bandes
And sayde arple vnhetowarde:

And then the chaynes, fel from his bandes
The Angell to hym sayde:

Exyte thou thy selfe, and haue no drede
Thy Sandales bynde on thee:

Thy mantell cast, on thee with spede
And then come folowe me.

He folowed hym, and made no dene
And wist not what done was:

But as a vision, he had sene
Whiche thaungel brought to pas.

L.iii.

we here

The .xij. Chapter.

When they the first, watche dyd frustrate
The seconde watche also:
They came vnto, the yron gate
That goth the cytye vnto.

Which opened by, the owne arcorde
They passynge through by nyght:
And then the Angell, of the Lorde
From Peter vanished quyght.

When Peter to, hym selfe came well
He sayde. I knowe and see:
That God hath sent, me hys Angell
Which hath deluyerd me.

Out of the hands, of kynge Herod
And all hys whole counsaile:
And from the Jewes, I thanke my God
That neuer dyd me faile.

And as he thought, thys thyng vpon
To Maries house dyd go:
Which was the mother, of one Iohn
And called Marke also.

Where diuers were, gathered to praye
There Peter knocks with speede:
A damsell came forth, to heare saye
Named Rhoda in dede.

And

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And when that she, knewe Peters voyce
The doze she dyd let pas:
She ranne in fast, and dyd reioyce
To tell where Peter was.

De Marynge playme, that heard she had
Hym speake in the entre:
And then they sayde, that she was mad
But she sayde it was he.

Then sayde they all, it maye betyde
His Aungel there to be:
But Peter styll, dyd there abyde
And eke styll knocked he.

And when they had, opened the doze
Where Peter then dyd stande:
They were astonied, ryche and poze
But he helde vp his hande.

And wylled them, to holde their peace
And shewed them what was past.
Howe that the Lorde, dyd hym release
Where he in chaynes laye fast.

And he sayde then, go shewe thys thyng
To James and, brethzen eke:
And he went thence, before day spryng
Another place to seke.

The.xij. Chapter.

Assoone as it, was sayze lpght daye
The souldiers made great mone;
Eche one to other, began to saye
Howe is thys man thus gone.

When Herode then, for hym dyd call
And naught of hym heard saye:
He dyd examine, the keepers all
Commaundynge them awaie:

And he descended, from Iewrye anon
To Cesarye anon:
With them of Tyre, he was angrye
And with them of Sidon:

And they came all, then to obtrayne
By intercession than:
To Bassus made, hys chamberlayne
Desyrynge peate eche man.

Because their countrey, tohere they fedde
Chiefely by hym dyd stande:
And they and theirs, were nourishedde
Unely by Herodes lande.

Upon a daye, appoynted well
Herode hym selfe made neate:
In fyne and royall, apparell
And set hym on hys seate.

To

The.xij. Chapter.

To them gay wordes, then spake Herod

The people then dyd thoute:

And sayde he speaks, moze lyke a God

Then lyke a man no doute.

The anngell then, immediatlye

Dyd stryke him with Gods rod:

Because he dyd, not geue the glorie

Unto the lyuynge God.

The wormes of hym, toke their repast

And he gaue vp the ghost:

The worde, also increased fast

And grewe in euerye coast.

Then Barnabas, and Paule went soone

Unto Jerusalem:

When they their office, had well done

And toke John Marke with them.

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The Contentes.

PAVLE Barnabas, dyd God prefer

And dyd the heathen teachen

And eke agaynste, the sokerer

At Antioche dyd preache.

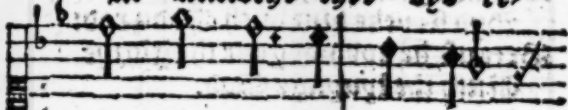
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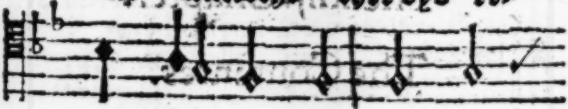


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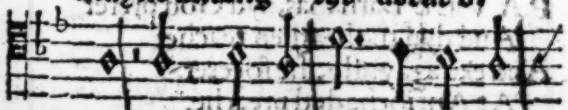
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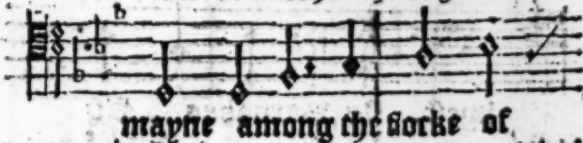
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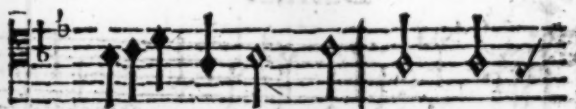


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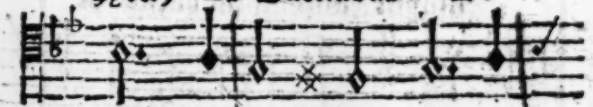
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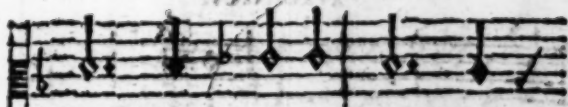


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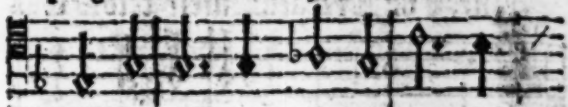


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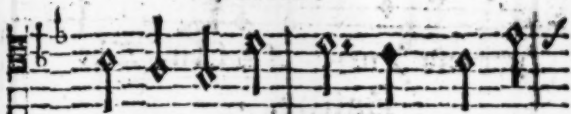


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A Antioche, there dyd remaine
Amonge the flocke of Christ:
Some prophetes, and some teachers
Sent fro ylord most blest. (playne

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And Lucye of Sirene:

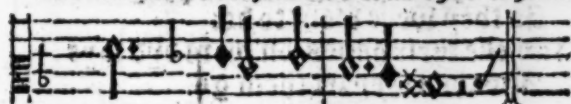
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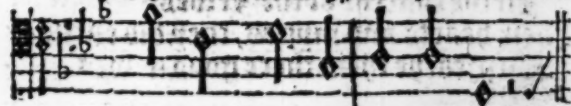


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And also Saule, was there in place
who as they ministred:

And eke dyd fast, and pray for grace

Gods spzite on them was the.

whiche

The.xiiij.Chapter.

Whiche dyd commaunde, & to them sayde
Sende Barnabas and Saul:
To worke the worke, before them layde
Wherto I dyd them caul.

Then dyd they fast, and also praye
As they were wont to do:
And eke their hands, on them dyd laye
And then they let them go.

And by Gods spzite, when they were sent
They came to Seleucie:
From thence dyd sayle, so that they went
To Ciprus directlye.

And when they came, to Salomine
In the churche of the Jewes:
Their hearts and mynds, they did encline
To preache them there good newes.

To serue with them, there for a whyle
They had one John by name:
And when they had, gone through the ple
To Paphos then they came.

A sozcerer there, of them was founde
A false prophet a Iue:
Whose teaching was, not sure ne sounde
Hys name was Bariesu.

with

The.xiiij. Chapter.

With Sergius Paule, a man prudent
Whiche rulde the whole countre:
With all hys trayne, he dyd frequent
Familiar then to be.

The same ruler, to hym dyd caule
And willed to come nere:
Both Barnabas, and also Paule
Of them goddes woꝛde to here.

But Elymas, the sozcerer
So they declare hys name:
Dyd wyll the ruler, to sozber
To sayth hym selfe to frame.

Saule named Paule, then in that cost
Full seruent at a bꝛayde:
Who was full of, the holye Gost
Beheld hym then and sayde.

O full of all, subtylitye
And eke disceytfulnes:
The deuyls chyld, and enemye
To grace and ryghtwysenes.

Thou dost not cease, styll to peruart
By damnable discoꝛde:
But dost alwayes plucke frō mans heart
The strayght wayes of the Lorde.

M.i. And

The. xiiij. Chapter.

And nowe behold, thou man blynde
The Lordes hande is on thee:
And for a tyme, thou shalt be blynde
The Sunne thou shalt not se.

Immediatlye, then for hys pryde
Uppon hys eyes dyd stande:
A myst that made, hym like a gyde
To leade hym by the hande.

The ruler then, dyd see the case
And not therat reppne:
But mused muche, and dyd embrace
The Lorde and his doctrine.

When Paule fro Daphus, toke shippynge
And all hys companye:
Forth on their waye, they went saylynge
To Berge of Dhamphilye.

To see his frendes, John was right fayne
And dyd depart from them:
And so returned, whome agayne
Unto Jerusalem.

They wandryng ther, went from Berge
And soone they dyd approche:
The lande then of Disydia
And came to Antioche.

Into

The.xiiij. Chapter.

Into the sinagoge they went
Upon the Sabbathes daye:
And sat them downe, with good entent
No man byd saye them naye.

But when the lecture, of the lawe
And prophetes there were done.
The ruler then, whiche there them sawe
Sayde vnto them ryght sone.

Good betherne nowe, we do you praye
The people to exhort:
If any sermon, ye can saye
To them for their comfort.

Then Paule stode vp, there in presens
And beckned with hys hande:
He prayde them all, to kepe sylens
Gods worde to vnderstande.

He sayde ye men, of Israell
And ye that God do feare:
And all that here, amonge you dwell
I praye you geue good care.

God of this people, byd elect
Our fathers vs befozne:
Quancynge them, that were relect
As forreners farre bozne.

M.ii.

In

The.xiiij.Chapter.

In Egypt lande, both daye and nyght
In bondage they dyd dwell:
The Lorde then with, hys arme of myght
Dyd bynge them out ryght well.

And fourtye yeares, he dyd them spare
In all their wyckednes:
To punishe them, he dyd forbare
With in the wyldernes.

Seuen nations then, in Canaan
He wasted well I wot:
Partynge the lande, to every man
Accorдынge to hys lot.

Then to the tyme, of Samuell
The iudges gaue trulye:
Amonge them there, yeares for to dwell
Four hundred and fyfthe.

And after that, a kynge to craue
They woulde not cease ne blyn:
The sonne of Ais, Saule God them gaue
Of the tribe of Beniamyn.

Twise twentye yeares, he ware & crowne
No longer raygned he:
For God the Lorde, dyd put hym downe
And hys posterite,

He

The. xiiij. Chapter.

He set vp Dauid, to be kyng
And ruler in hys place:
And dyd repozte, of hym saynge
Dauid I do embrace.

One Iesses sonne, whom I haue founde
A man Ientell and kynde:
He is to me, both sure and sounde
To fulfyll all my mynde.

Of thys mans sede, a saviour
The promyse thus doth tell:
God hath brought forth, Iesus the flour
And kyng of Israell.

But after Iohn, had run hys race
He sayde I am not he:
I meane Messias, full of grace
Whome ye take me to be.

But lo one doth, come after me
Whose shoes vpon hys fete:
Of such hyghnes, and dignite
To lose I am vnmete:

Ye men bzytherne, and chyldzen all
Of Abraham by descent:
To you that feare, God great and small
Thys worde of lyfe is sent.

M.iii.

The

The, xiiij. Chapter.

The dwellers in, Ierusalem
The rulers well I wot:
And all suche then, as were with them
In dede they knew hym not.

The prophetes boyce, that were red
Eche Saboth them amonge:
With suche blyndnes, then were they led,
They coulde take then but wzonge.

And though of deathe, they found no cause
In hym most innocent:
The Prophetes, in euery clause
Were ended as they ment.

In denyng him, to mortall fate
They dyd them all fulfyll:
When they made sute, to Pons Pilate,
This innocent to kyll.

Then all thynges done, in eche degre
As scripture wolde it haue:
They toke his bodye, from the tre
And layed it in the graue.

God rayled hym, on the thirde daye
From deathe to lyfe certayne:
He shewed hym selfe, without delaye,
When he was risen agayne.

And

The.xiiij.Chapter.

And manye tymes, appeared he
Full lynelye vnto them:
That went with him, from Galile
Vnto Ierusalem.

Which are his witnes, to eche sozt
Appoynted of the Lorde:
And we also, to your comfort
Gods promyse do recozde.

Which to our fathers, he dyd frame
Howe God to their offsprynge:
Fulfylled hath, in Christ the same
From death hym reulynge.

The seconde Psalm, recozdeyth playne
Thou art my sonne sayeth he:
The father sayeth, this daye certayne
I haue begotten thee.

In that he rayled, hym anon
From death nothyng dismayde
No more to se, corruption
On thys wyle then he sayde.

The fauour grace, and ehe good wyl
That I Dauid dyd bow:
Full saythfullye, I shall fulfill
And performe it to you.

M.iii.

Ther

The.xiiij. Chapter.

Therfore he sayeth, in the lyke place
Thy sonne the holpe on:
Thou shalt not suffer, in no case
To see corruption,

As for Dauid, hys tyme dyd kepe
To serue gods wyll trulpe:
And after that, fallynge a slepe
Was layde hys father bye.

His Corps dyd waste, and putrefye
But God hys sonne dyd he:
Make quicke agayne, and certaynlye
Dyd no corrupcyon se.

Knowe ye therfore, ye brythren all
Through him ye may purchase:
Whiche is preached, to great and small
Forsgeuenes of trespase.

And from all things, ful sure to be
Acquited and made sure:
Whiche Moyses lawe, in no degre
Coude clense be ye ryght sure.

But who so that, wyl geue credence
And in the fayth abyde:
Through him is cleare, from all offence
And also iustified.

Beware

The.xiiij. Chapter.

Beware therfore, I do you reade
And kepe ye from the lake:
Lest those thynges fall, vpon your heade
Wherof the prophetes spake.

Ye dispisers, beholde and muse
At your destruction now:
For in your tyme, a worke defuse
I worke euen vnto you.

Whiche in no wyse, ye shal beleue
Whoso of it you tell:
The whiche is wrought, you for to greue
Because ye do rebell.

When that the Iues, were all forth gon
Out of their holpe place:
The Gentyles them, besought anon
To preache the worde of grace.

And them to teache, thzough out the weke
Betwene the Saboth dayes: :
What meanes & wayes, that they myght
To please the Lorde allwayes.

Their holpe rongregation then
So ended Luke recytes:
On them dyd wayte, there many men
Both Iues and P:ocelytes.

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To

The.xiiij. Chapter.

To these good men, that dyd abyde
Spake Paule and Barnabas
Exortynge them, not once to flyde
From God ne from his grace.

The Saboth day, then next folowynge
The citie whole well neare:
Together came, much despyng
Gods holy worde to heare.

But when the Jewes, sawe such a route
They were full wrauth & deme:
Reuylng Paule, with wordes fulloute
Beginning to blaspheme.

But Barnabas, and Paule was bolde
And sayde it doth behoue:
Gods worde to you, first to be tolde
Whiche sent is from aboue,

But syth ye do, it nowe denye
Auoodynge it with strife:
And thynke your selues, now vnwozthye
Of euerlastyng lyfe.

And eke the worde, so pzeious
Ye take for crasse and gyles:
Lo here the Lorde, hath wylled vs
To tourne vnto the Genyles.

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I haue set thee, to be a lyght
The Gentyles for to gyde
And them to saue, as I behyght.
Throughout the earth so wyde.

The Gentyles then, offered thys grace
Of it they were full fayne:
Gods worde with thankes, they dyd em;
Beleuyng it certayne. (brace

And those that God, had ordayned
To euerlastyng lyfe:
Abode in fayth, the worde dyd spread
Throughout the countrey ryfe.

Wherfore the Jewes, them dyd abhoze
And moued without ppyte:
The women of, woꝛshipp and honoꝛ
The chiefe men of the cytye.

Agaynst pooꝛe Paule, and Barnabas
And woulde without offence:
A persecution brought to pas.
Expellyng them from thence.

Out of that coast, when they nedes must
To go they made them mete:
And for a witnes, shoke the dust
Agaynst them of their fete.

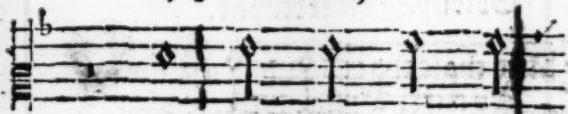
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And they came to, I conſum
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And Gods elect, were all becom
Full of the holpe goſte.

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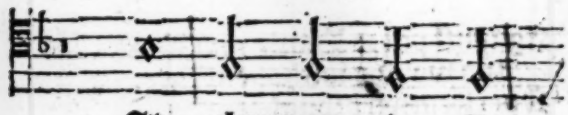


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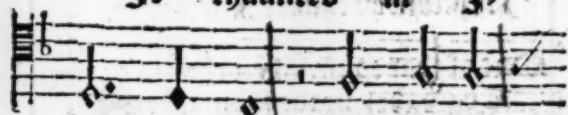


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Dyd preache vvith good aduice:
The people vvoulde, both all and some
To them do sacrifice.

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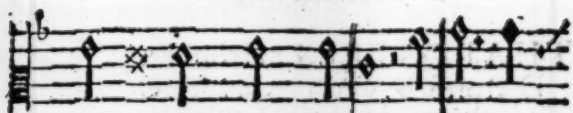


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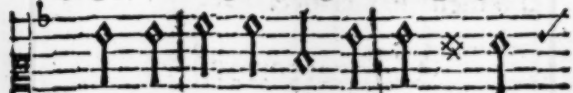


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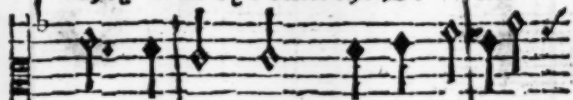
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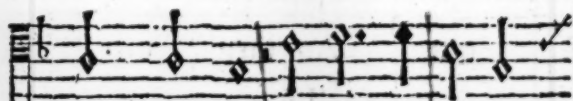


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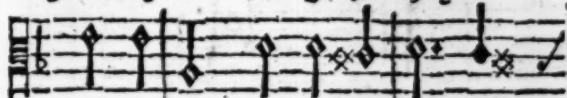


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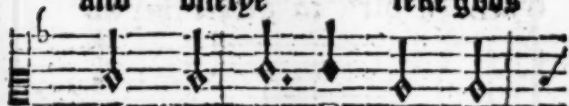
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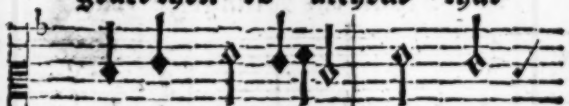
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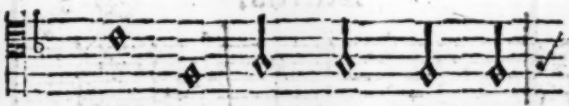


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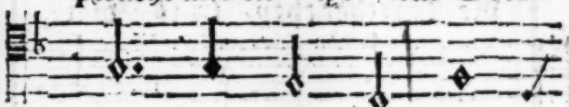


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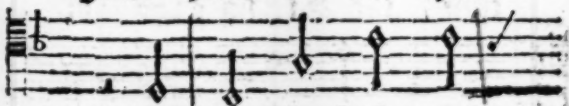
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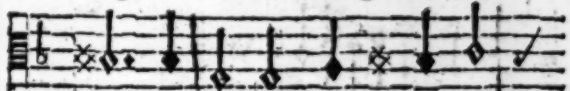


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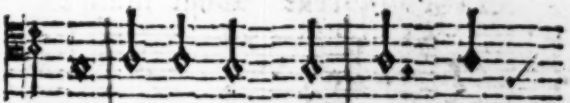
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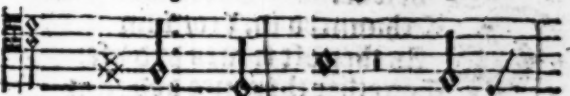
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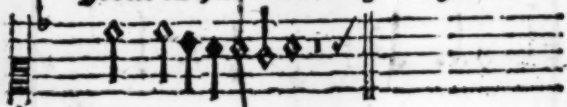
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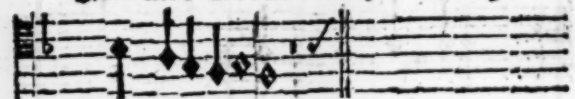


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Jue and Greke That manye



dyd beleue.

I chanced in, Irontum
As they oft tymes dyd vse:
Together they, into dyd cum
The sinagoge of Jewes.

where they dyd Preache, and only seke
Gods grace then to atcheue:
That they so spake, to Jewe and Greke
That many dyd beleue.

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Countertenor.



Bassus.



But then the Iues, of unbelese
The Gentyles on dyd call:
And styde their mindes, to much mischese
Agaynst the bzetherne all.

And they longe tyme, dyd there persist
Gods worde styll to recorde:
And quit them selues, boldly in Christ
By helpe of God the Lorde.

The.xiiij. Chapter.

Whiche then, gaue testimony vnto

The worde euen of hys grace:

And caused them, great thynges to do
Whiche by their handes toke place.

The people dyd, them selues denyde
As they were then affect:

Sum frō the Iues, woulde neuer syde
Nor sum from Christes elect.

When y the Jewes, & gentyles woulde
Assaulte make them vpon:

Their rulers wrought, all y they coulde
By counsel them to ston.

Whose councel knowen, thry made no
But fled vnto Epsra: (host

And Derba cytyes, of the coast
Of Licaonia.

And eke vnto, the region

That lyeth there rounde about:

And preached Christ, to euerye one
And his Gospel thzough out.

There sat a man, of lytle myzth
At Epsra, lame of fete:

A repell was, euen from his byzth
And neuer walked yet.

Who heard Paule preach, y Mozy sayth
And Paule behelde the man:

And dyd percepue, that he had sayth
To be made whole euen then.

Paule sayd to him, with chereful voyce
Upon thy fete by stande:

And

The.xiiiij. Chapter.

And he start vp, and dyd reioyce.

And walked out of hande.

¶ And when the people, dyd beholde
What Paule had done that daye:
With mightye voyce, they were full bolde
To brute these thynges and saye.

¶ Nowe in the speche, of our countre
Gods are come downe vs to:

In likenes nowe, of men yese
And what straunge thinges they do.

¶ And Barnabas, they called thus
The name of Iupiter:

And called Paule, Mercurius
Becaus he was preacher.

¶ And then the priest, of Iupiter
Wyllyd both fete and handes:
Which dwelt befoze, the Citie there
Brought oren and garlandes.

¶ To the church porche, and dyd aduynse
The people and them caule:
With him then to, do Sacrifyce
To Barnabas and Paule.

¶ But whā Thapostles, herd their knac:
They myght it not abyde: (kes
But rent their clothes, the on their backes
And ran with them to chyde.

¶ They cryed and sayde, vnto them then
Why haue ye done thus now:
For we are both, but mortall men
In all poyntes lyke to you.

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And

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And we do preache, you verptyes,
That lyes myght be abhorde
To turne you from, these vanytyes,
Unto the luyngge Lorde.

Who made the heauens, & eke þe landes
That they shuld styll be his:

He made the sea, euen with his handes
And all that in them is.

Whiche in tymes past, euen in those
Dyd suffer and permit: (dayes

Each man to walke, in his owne wayes
Geuen vp to his owne wyt.

Neuertheles, his heauenlye wyttes
Left witnes to declare:

In that he shewed his benefyttes
From heauen rayne to prepare.

And frutfull seasons, gaue at wyll
To vs both moze and les:

And in the ende, our heartes dyd fylle
Wyth foode and great gladnes.

And all these wordes, wold scarce entyse
The people to forbear:

But that they wolde, do Sacrifyce
Unto them both euen there.

And certainly, Iues dyd there appoche
The whiche dyd euen then cum:

Immediatlye, from Antioche
And from Fronium.

And got the people, to consent
With stones Pauls bloude to shed

And

The.xiiij. Chapter.

And through the cypre, they hym rent.
Thynkyng he had bene deed.

And yet as the disciples stode
About him to lament:

He dyd arise, and for hys sode
Into the cite went.

And he abode, there all that nyght
Euen vnto the next daye:

Then Barnabas, and he a ryght
To Darby toke the waye.

And in that Citie, they dyd preache
Whyle they dyd there soiozne:

To all men Iesus, Christ did teache
And then they dyd retozne.

To Lystra and, Iconium
To Antioche and there:

Strengthened the soules, of all and sum
That there disciples were.

Exhortyng them, not to relent
But in the sayth remaine:

Affirmyng that, through much tozment
We must to heauen attayne.

And they then by, election
Ordained elders ther:

In euerye, congregation
By fastyng and prayer.

That God to the, his grace might sede
To worke his wyll moste Just

And thus to God, dyd them commend
In whome they put their trust

And

The.xiiij.Chapter.

And they went thzough, **S**isidia
And taught the people **S**yll:
And came vnto, **S**amphilia
Their callinge to fulfyll.
And when they had, declared playne
Gods worde then in **S**erca:
They dyd descende, forth with agayne
Into **A**ttalia.
From thence by **S**hyy, they all sayled
To **A**ntioche a pace:
From whence they were, delyuered
To God and to hys grace.
Who had them longe, p^reserued **S**yll
From cruel men and mad:
Euen by his grace, to worke his will
Whiche they fulfylled had.
When they were come, and to one stead
The congregacion bzought:
Ther was rehearst by eche mans head
That God by them had wrought.
Howe he the dooze, of sayth vntyde
The **G**entyls in to call:
And there longe tyme, they dyd abyde
With the disciples all.

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